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THE J. E. JONES LETTER

PLUGGING UP HOLES IN THE CONSTITUTION

Nineteen times since the framing and adoption of the constitution of the United States the people have been called upon to make amendments to the original and basic document. Now holes show up constantly, and they have to be plugged. A few weeks ago President Harding advocated in his message, the twentieth amendment to the constitution in order to check the increasing volume in tax-exempt securities. There isn't the same thrill about tax matter as was found in other previous reasons for changing the constitution, when a check was placed on the drinking of booze and when suffrage was granted to women; or even when the election of United States Senators was left to the people to decide by direct vote.

Nevertheless the new constitutional amendment would remedy a pernicious and growing evil. Philip H. Gadsden of Philadelphia, one of the country's "clearest thinkers," argued this proposed constitutional amendment at some length before the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives. "Suppose I was in your State," he told the Committee Chairman, "and I was worth a million dollars, and you issued these tax-exempt securities and I invested half of my income in tax-exempt securities, so that I did not contribute anything to the State government at all?" And according to Mr. Gadsden that is just what a lot of rich men and women are doing; investing in gilt-edged securities that have been especially exempted from taxation in order to make them desirable for people who have surplus money that they want to put to work with the least possible physical and mental exertion.

In order to carry on the railroads, public utilities and telephone and telegraph business of the country it is necessary to raise nearly \$2,000,000,000 of new money a year. Mr. Gadsden points out that with a rate of return limited on public utilities to eight per cent in the majority of instances, and with municipal bonds yielding 4.5 per cent, an investor subject to a surtax of over 10 per cent cannot afford to buy public utility securities. He concludes that this means that all new capital obtained by public utilities from private investors under these conditions must come from individuals having a taxable income of \$15,000 or less per year. Such a restriction makes it quite impossible for the public utilities to interest the heavy investors—hence the troubles that we hear so much about whenever these semi-public institutions and industries are discussed.

BILLIONS OF TAX-EXEMPT SECURITIES

According to President Harding nearly twenty billions of dollars in tax-exempt securities are in existence. That means, clearly that this vast sum of wealth is escaping taxation, and that rich tax-dodgers are having things made easy for them by a system which has grown until it has become a menace. It stands to reason that if the very rich dodge twenty billion dollars worth of taxes that the rest of the people of the country are paying it for them.

Congressman McFadden of Pennsylvania, in commenting on the condition says that the time will come, unless the evil of issuing tax-exempt securities is checked, when half of the people of the country will be paying the entire burden of taxes of the other class; that class best able to pay will be relieved from the payment of taxes.

Mr. McFadden also points out the seriousness of the situation when he says that "the continuation of the present tax exemption system will ultimately lead to the complete tax exemption of money and credits and to the imposition of heavier taxes upon farm and other lands."

WHO'S INDEPENDENT?
When John Quincy Adams was President nearly a hundred years ago, he predicted the end of political parties. "There still remains one effort of magnanimity, one sacrifice to passion, to be made by the individuals throughout the nation who have heretofore followed the standards of political party." With this simple little thing accomplished, Adams saw the end of political parties, to be followed by a getting together of "countrymen and friends."

Maybe Adams had his schedules wrong, because many now claim to discover the disintegration of political parties in these latter days. Once, for a few weeks, even the sagacious Roosevelt thought he discovered "Independent thought" when he carried the Bull Moose campaign through the South. Within the past few weeks the Republican leaders in Washington have been

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GRANGE NEWS

OXFORD POMONA

April 4, Oxford Pomona will meet with Welchville Grange. Henry E. Dunack, State Librarian, will be the speaker for the day.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE

Pleasant Valley Grange held its first regular meeting since January on Tuesday, March 14. Twenty-one members were present.

The Lecturer read a very interesting account of her visit to Augusta to attend the 'Lecturers' Convention last month, and what was accomplished there. Under new business a suggestion was made that the Grange Hall be painted this spring, but the matter was laid aside until a later date. Some progress is being made in regard to a curtain for the stage, which it is hoped will materialize in the near future.

The program, consisting of readings by Brothers Hickford and Sumner and by Sisters Addie Mason and Bertha Mundt.

BETHEL GRANGE

Bethel Grange met in regular session on the evening of March 16. The ladies served supper as usual, consisting of baked beans, cold meats, mashed potatoes, brown bread, white bread and butter, pickles, apple pie, chocolate pie, doughnuts, frosted cake and hot coffee. The Master called to order in good season. Opened in form, minutes of last meeting read and approved. Those absent were: Chaplain, Treasurer, Steward and Flora. The ones who substituted were: May R. Bartlett, chaplain; Levi Bartlett, Steward; Lilla Morgan, Flora. The first and second degrees were conferred on four candidates. The secretary read the application of one candidate. Lecturer's program:

Song, Grange Slips pasted to each to read subject A Court Room play. Thirty-one members and one visitor were present. The next meeting will be held April 6.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE

Bear River Grange held its regular meeting Saturday evening, Mar. 11, with a good attendance. Under new business it was voted to have a whist party Saturday evening, Mar. 18. Committee: W. L. and Sister Eva Eames and Nellie Holt; also voted to have a drama. Sister Susan Wight appointed to take charge of same; also, W. L. and Sister Bertha Bailey. Literary Program: Selection on the Phonograph. Chip Basket.

Instrumental Music, Eva Eames. Remarks on Pomona meeting, Edward Bennett. Sister Hastings. The worthy Lecturer announced a spelling match for next meeting with Bertha Bailey and Lester Enman captains. Closed with music. Twenty-seven members present.

MRS. LUCILLA TWITCHELL

Mrs. Lucilla (Swan) Twitchell passed away at her home in Crystal, Tuesday morning, March 7.

Mrs. Twitchell was born in Bethel, Me., nearly 69 years ago. In October, 1883, she was united in marriage to Irving Twitchell, who then lived in Dummer.

For several years after their marriage they lived at Pontook. In 1889 they moved to Berlin where they built a home on Church street, and lived there until 1908 when they bought a farm at West Dummer. After living there for 12 years they sold and have since then lived at Crystal village.

Mrs. Twitchell will be remembered by many in this city where she made many friends during the 19 years she lived here.

She was a very successful teacher. She taught 17 years in our public schools while living here.

She is survived by her husband, one brother, Charles Swan of North Bethel, Me., one niece, Mrs. O. W. Wheeler, Berlin and two nephews.

The funeral service was held at the home of Mrs. O. W. Wheeler, Norway street, Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. The remains were placed in the vault at Milan.—Berlin Reporter.

NOTICE

There will be a public whist party at the Grange Hall Friday, Mar. 24. Admission, 25 cents. Come, even if not a Granger. For the benefit of the Grange.

NOTICE

There will be a pruning demonstration the 21st of March at 11 A. M. at A. F. Copeland's, given by County Farm Bureau Agent Lovejoy.

GOULD'S ACADEMY GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The first entertainment to be held in the William Bingham Gymnasium was presented on Thursday evening, March 16th, by the Boys Glee Club of the Academy, assisted by soloists. The new seats placed in the auditorium for the first time that day were occupied by an appreciative audience.

The Boys' Glee Club, organized in the fall of 1920, under the direction of Mr. Charles L. Pollard, has done some very creditable work during the past two years and has, at various times, assisted most acceptably in local entertainments. The Club has numbered more or more at times but owing to various circumstances it has been reduced to the six faithful, enthusiastic boys who, in spite of their depleted numbers, had the courage and perseverance to prepare and present the concert which had been planned earlier in the year. Had it not been for the enthusiasm and optimism of their able director the concert could not have materialized. Mr. Pollard gives generously of his time and talent to the musical interests of our young people and is deserving of the appreciation and gratitude of the school and its friends. The work of the Academy Orchestra directed by Mr. Pollard has been highly complimented.

The program of Thursday evening was a pleasant surprise to all who heard it. The clear boyish voices blended in a harmony which seems marvelous when one realizes that our young people have not had systematic musical training in their school life. Every number was rendered with pleasing expression and with an assurance which was the result of faithful and painstaking work. Miss Dorothy Goodnow proved herself an efficient accompanist.

The instrumental number by Misses Cottrell and Humphrey was effectively rendered while Mr. Crosby's solo was a pleasing example of tone and technique.

A reading by Mr. Hanscom is always welcome on any program. His selection, "A Man's Opportunity During House Cleaning," was most timely, while the encore, "Making Out My Income Tax," was none the less apt. Both selections brought forth much laughter and won hearty applause.

An informal dancing party after the entertainment was much enjoyed by the young people.

The proceeds of the concert will be used to defray the expenses for music. The boys now composing the Club are: Rodney Bartlett, Harold Bennett, Taylor Clough, Edward Hanscom, Rodney Linnell, Clarence Philbrook.

PROGRAM

- (a) Strong-minded Maid, Worrell
- (b) Turkey in de Straw, GLEE CLUB
- Barcarole, Zameniky
- Cornet Solo with Violin Obligato, MISS COTTRELL and MISS HUMPHREY
- A Song of the Sea, G. Nevins
- Reading—Selected, MR. HANSCOM
- You Is Jes' As Sweet, GILBERTO
- Cavatina—Violoncello Solo, HALL
- Soldiers' Farewell, GLEE CLUB
- Star Spangled Banner, (1st Stanza), GLEE CLUB and AUDIENCE

FARM BUREAU NEWS

An interesting conference of the leaders of boys' and girls' club of Oxford County was held Wednesday, Mar. 15, in the Farm Bureau Office, So. Paris, with leaders in attendance representing several communities of the county. Project leader F. A. Russell, and assistant leader, Herman Mason, of Bethel, attended, and it was the general wish that other assistant leaders might have been present to share the benefits to be derived from the conference. State club leader Lester H. Hibbs, and assistant state club leader, Miss Alfreda Ellis, were also present to aid the leaders in carrying out club work in the county.

Bethel has prospects of a membership of between thirty and forty members in club work. Special emphasis is given to the poultry project by the boys, as it is in Norway community.

There are now ten project and twelve assistant leaders in the county and everything indicates an increased interest and a larger enrollment in boys' and girls' club work this year.

NOTICE

I wish to announce that I shall be a candidate for Postmaster, when the proper time arrives, and will appreciate any assistance my friends and patrons of Bethel Post Office may give me. J. S. HUTCHINS.

"ST. PATRICK'S DAY" MASQUERADE

A large crowd of people attended the dance given by the Bethel Grange at their hall, Friday evening, Mar. 17. With good music and a merry lot of dancers the evening was a successful one, giving much enjoyment to many and adding a goodly sum to the treasury of the Grange.

The greater part of the company were in masquerade costumes which were varied, ranging from the beauty of an Angel to the terrible Captain Kidd of pirate fame. Here was seen the Spanish Cavalier, most attentive to the pretty Colleen right from the old sod. Rip Van Winkle could tell the perfection, while the Negro Gentleman was a source of merriment for all throughout the evening. Beautiful Dawn in blue gown adorned with golden stars and Night in sable robes decked with silver stars mingled with Clowns and Turks. Cowboys and Queens tripped the light fantastic too together—Red Riding Hood and a huge shaggy Bear were friendly companions. Japanese ladies marched with foreign Noblemen or kept step with the Prince of Darkness. Sailor Lads, Naval Officers, Gypsy Maidens and Indian Princesses swayed to the rhythmic sound of music. Priest and Hobo, Shamrock Girls and Jews—even St. Patrick himself in green velvet and lace trod lightly the measure of many a dance. Large boxes of chocolates were given as prizes for best costumes to Mrs. Wm. C. Bryant and Mr. Charles Gordon.

Below is a partial list of those who masked. We regret not being able to secure all and if errors are made in this list please pardon them as it is hard to always tell "tother from which" in such a crowd of merry makers.

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| Mrs. Wm. C. Bryant | Mrs. Wm. C. Bryant |
| Irish Colleen, Mrs. David Forbes | Irish Colleen, Miss Laura Hutchinson |
| Irish Colleen, Mrs. Ray York | The Lady with Curlew, Mr. Myron Bryant |
| Paddy Bear, Mr. David Forbes | Clown Suit, Mr. Ray York |
| Clown Suit, Miss Libbie Goodridge | Japanese Girl, Miss Clara Mason |
| Indian Maid, Miss Florence Coburn | Clown Suit, Gail Oddard |
| Turkish Suit, Dr. E. L. Brown | Clown Suit, Mrs. E. J. Brown |
| Clown Suit, Mr. F. C. Holt | Gypsy Costume, Mrs. F. C. Holt |
| Clown Suit, Christine Gaul | Clown Suit, Julia Brown |
| Clown Suit, Pearl Swett | Clown Suit, Beatrice Brown |
| Night, Robena Swett | Oriental Costume, Mr. Perley Flint |
| Oriental Costume, Mrs. Perley Flint | Japanese Costume, Miss Elsie Flint |
| Oriental Costume, Miss Elsie Flint | Spanish Cavalier, Chester Howe |
| Spanish Lady, Mrs. Max Woodrow | Angel, Miss Ethel Bennett |
| Red Riding Hood, Miss Gladys Jenner | Clown Suit, Win. Mortenson |
| Rip Van Winkle, David Babson | Sailor Boy, U. S. S., Mrs. David Babson |
| Captain Kidd, Mr. Charles Gordon | Shamrock Girl, Mrs. Wentzell |
| Shamrock Girl, Mrs. Grace Wheeler | Cow Boy, Leslie Thompson |
| St. Patrick, George Morrison | Spanish Costume, Miss Grace Day |
| Dawn, Miss Marion Allen | Suit—44, Zenas Merrill |
| Queen of Clubs, Walter Inman | Queen of Clubs, Mrs. Berry |
| Queen of Clubs, Miss Perle Brink | Devil, Mr. George Bonia |
| Naval Officer, Wm. Van | Fancy Dress, Dan Sullivan |
| Hebrew, Irving Carver | Hebrew, Glyndon Savin |

NOTICE

The school properties at South Bethel and at West Bethel will be sold and turned over to purchasers as soon as possible after the end of the present school year. The superintending school committee has authorized the superintendent of schools to receive bids from prospective purchasers. Bids should be in by April 1. The committee reserves the right to reject any bids that are not satisfactory.

F. E. RUSSELL,
Sec. of S. S. Com., Bethel.

CARD OF THANKS

The Pythias Sisters wish to thank all those who so kindly assisted in any way to make our sale of Friday, Mar. 17, a success. BERNICE SPEARRIN, HESTER SANBORN, ALICE LITTLEDALE, NONA CHAPIN, Substitute.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Goould's Academy finished its season Friday night by defeating Mechanic Falls High School 34 to 24 at Mechanic Falls. The Goould's boys were handicapped by the poor playing conditions and small size of the hall.

The first half was a runaway for Goould's, the score being 22 to 7. However, in the first part of the second half the Mechanic Falls boys sprang and aided by a relapse on the part of Goould's almost evened the score. The Goould's team came out of its slump rather late but soon enough to finish with a safe margin of victory. The summary:

GOULD'S	G.	F.	P.
Chapman, rf.,	2	0	4
D. Philbrook, lf.,	5	0	10
York, c.,	4	0	8
Hanscom, rg.,	2	0	4
Bennett, lg.,	3	2	8
C. Swan, lg.,	0	0	0
Totals,	16	2	34
MECHANIC FALLS	G.	F.	P.
Lane, Hartford, lg.,	0	0	0
Record, Perkins, rg.,	0	0	0
Bryant, c.,	3	0	6
Briggs, lf.,	4	3	11
Harris, rf.,	3	1	7
Totals,	10	4	24

Basketball letters were awarded both the girls' and boys' teams and numerals given to the class teams. The following girls were awarded their basketball "G's": Capt. Margaret Hanscom, Hilda Brooks, Elsie Enman, Rosamond Grover, Nova Humphrey, Celia Kimball, Emma Marshall, Alice Mundt. The following boys were awarded "G's": Harold Bennett, Raymond Chapman, Capt. Edward Hanscom, Clarence Philbrook, Harold York. At a meeting of the letter men Clarence Philbrook was elected captain for next season.

Miss Wight spent the week end in Auburn and Lewiston.

Miss Nina Humphrey of Milan, N. H., was a recent guest of her sister, Miss Nerva, at Holden Hall. The Misses Humphrey were week end guests of the Misses Farris at their home in Oxford. On Wednesday afternoon of last week forty-two members of the Y. W. C. A. went on a hike to the "Shack" where a picnic supper was enjoyed. Toasted "weenies" and marshmallows were very popular, as usual. A variety of stunts and games, songs, and cheers made the time pass all too quickly.

The public declamations presented on Friday afternoon were much enjoyed by the school and a good number of guests. Each student who participated showed the result of careful preparation and declaimed in a highly creditable manner. The following students participated: Erma Marshall, Raymond Chapman, Harold Bennett, Avis Cottrell, Helen Becker, Forrest Stowell, Evans Wilson, Ruth Hainsing, William Chapman, Elsie Vail, Thelma Hutchinson, Guy Thurston.

Senior class parts have been assigned as follows: Valedictory—Margaret Hanscom; Salutatory—Alice Mundt; Class History—Erma Marshall; Class Prophecy—Inez Farris and Raymond Chapman.

Presentation of Gifts to Class—Perle Brink; Address to Undergraduates—Harold Bennett.

Class Oration—Edward Hanscom; Presentation of Class Gift—Ethel Capen.

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK

Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank to Gretta Wilson, Wilson's Mills, Maine, and numbered 4014 has been destroyed or lost, and that she desires to have a new book of deposit issued to her. BETHEL SAVINGS BANK, By A. E. Herrick, Treasurer.

Bethel, Maine, Feb. 9, 1922. 3-9-21 p

SCHOOL NOTES

Correction—The spring term at West Bethel will begin April 3. Other schools except those with interrupted winter term will begin April 17.

The Children's Hospital at Portland, Maine, offers to young women of high school education or its equivalent a two and one-half years course of training which includes three months in district nursing and six months at New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Conn. Address: Children's Hospital, 65 High St., Portland, Me. 3-16-21

Messrs. Herman Mason and F. E. Russell were in South Paris last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hall were in Lewiston, Thursday.

Miss Helen Clark is home from her school in Wilton.

Mr. Walter Bartlett was out of town on business, Saturday.

Major R. M. Osborne of Portland was in town Monday.

Mrs. F. E. Donahue was in Berlin, N. H., the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Andrews are visiting relatives in Albany.

Mr. Kenneth Wight of Gorham, N. H., was in town, Sunday.

Gainsborough Hair Nets, 10 cents, at Rowe's, Bethel, Me. ad

Mr. Lester Flint of Portland was a business visitor in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. French of Portland were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Fox.

Mr. Brett G. Mason of Berlin, N. H., was in town on business the first of the week.

Miss Alice Kimball of Boston is this week's guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Kimball.

Will the gentleman who left a package at Rowe & Son's store for W. G. Blake please accept his thanks for the kindness.

Mrs. Walter Chandler of South Paris was a Sunday guest of her daughter, Miss Dorothy Chandler, and Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

Rather unfavorable reports are being received from Little Ernest Blake, and it is expected that he will have to remain in the hospital for two weeks.

Rev. Mr. Little was called to Hanover last Thursday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Matilda Dodge, sister of Helen Staples. Mrs. Dodge's husband was a veteran of the Civil War. He died several years ago. Since then she has made a home with her brother at Hanover.

The Wee Tatt Club was entertained last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf, Mrs. Greenleaf, Mrs. Fletcher and Mrs. Stanley Wentzell being hostesses. A delicious chicken supper was served and the afternoon was one of real enjoyment to all present.

Members of Nacoomi Temple, Pythian Sisters, very pleasantly enjoyed the afternoon of Wednesday, March 15 as they assembled at the home of Mrs. Hester Sanborn, M. E. S., for a council meeting. Several business plans were discussed, and a Club organized for the benefit of Nacoomi Temple under the "Busy Workers Club," two meetings each month to be held at the home of Sisters. The object being to do plain sewing and prepare for a fair and sale to be held later. Officers chosen: Mrs. Mary Donahue, President; Mrs. Nona Chapin, Vice President; Mrs. Minnie Bennett, Secretary and Treasurer.

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ASSESSORS' NOTICE

The Assessors of the Town of Bethel hereby give notice to all persons liable to taxation in said Town, that they will be in session at the Assessors' Office in said Town, on the 1st day of April, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving lists of the polls and estates taxable in said town.

All such persons are hereby notified to make and bring to said Assessors true and perfect lists of their polls and all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, which they were possessed of, or which they held as guardian, executor, administrator, trustee or otherwise, on the first day of April, 1922, and be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same.

When estates of persons deceased have been divided during the past year, or have changed hands for any cause, the executor, administrator or other persons interested, are hereby warned to give notice of such change, and in default of such notice will be held under the law to pay the tax assessed, although such estate has been wholly distributed and paid over.

Any person who neglects to comply with this notice will be DOOMED to a tax according to the laws of the State to be assessed on the basis of the application to the Assessors or County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such list with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time hereby appointed.

FRANK A. BROWN,
WILLIAM H. STURSTON,
F. B. HOWE,
Assessors.

Date Posted, March 18th, 1922. 3-23-21

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THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY

80 Maiden Lane, New York

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate, \$153,465.86

Mortgage Loans, 1,207,232.48

Stocks and Bonds, (Actual Market Value, Dec. 31, 1921), 35,961,834.50

Cash in Office and Bank, 4,459,725.62

Agents' Balances, 2,119,830.89

Bills Receivable, 408,138.97

Interest and Rents, 233,129.70

Gross Assets, \$43,642,430.03

Deduct Items not admitted, 252,509.09

Admitted Assets, \$43,389,920.94

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,222,718.29

Unearned Premiums, 17,364,726.93

All other Liabilities, 1,663,117.50

Cash Capital, 10,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 12,189,299.11

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$43,389,920.94

STUART W. GOODWIN, Agent, 3-16-31-G

MASSACHUSETTS FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE CO.

93 Water St., Boston, Mass.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Stocks and Bonds, \$1,190,824.23

Cash in Office and Bank, 52,282.92

Agents' Balances, 31,500.26

Interest and Rents, 8,617.00

All other Assets, 6,623.01

Gross Assets, \$1,289,849.32

Deduct Items not admitted, 43,668.81

Admitted Assets, \$1,246,180.51

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses, \$102,033.73

Unearned Premiums, 117,222.80

All other Liabilities, 45,973.32

Cash Capital, 500,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 420,950.57

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,246,180.51

STUART W. GOODWIN, Agent, 3-16-31-G

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Our Stock Reduction SALE

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100 pairs Women's Brown Calf and Vici Kid, high cut boots, military heel, medium toe, Goodyear Welt, Evangeline. All sizes, C and D width, they were \$7.50 and a good trade at that; price now \$4.95

60 pairs Women's Black Vici Kid, high cut boots, military heel, medium toe, Goodyear Welt, Evangeline. All sizes, A, B, C and D width, one of our best \$7.50 boots, now \$4.95

A lot of Women's Rubbers, the \$1.00 grade, for high heel boots, price 25c.

40 pairs Men's Brown Calf Boots, narrow toe, these were at one time sold for \$13.00, our price now \$3.95

A large lot Men's medium weight work shoes, very soft and comfortable, were \$7.50, now \$3.95.

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WEST GREENWOOD

Dr. Tibbels was in town recently making professional calls.

Arthur Cross has finished hauling wood for John Dorgan.

School in this vicinity commences Monday, Mar. 27.

J. A. McDaniel of Bryant's Pond was at John Kennagh's one day last week.

Mrs. Nellie Cross and daughter, Annie, spent the week end at Lewiston and Bangor, the guests of relatives.

T. B. Durk was in town last week on business.

Charles Lyden has finished cutting wood and has returned to Bethel.

Lillian Cross spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Dearden.

Ell Stearns of Bethel was in this community Saturday.

Nellie and Gertrude Harrington attended the concert at the William King

ham Gymnasium, Thursday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones were recent callers in town.

Mr. Holoman was in this vicinity last week, selling tin and galvanized ware.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eames of Albany were in town Tuesday.

F. L. Edwards and the surveyor were sealing the pulp wood landed on the banks of the brook last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Parley Planders recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kennagh.

Mr. Good was at W. A. Holt's, recently.

Broaded Fog

The fog is a fog composed of fine needles of ice which occurs in winter in mountainous regions of the western United States. It is reported to be very dangerous to the lungs.

RUMFORD

Last week a new tea room was opened in Rumford which is located over the Neghri fruit store on Congress street, and it is very attractively arranged, decorated and furnished. The woodwork is painted a dark red, and the wall panels also are of this same color, the walls being done in two shades of blue. Four individual tables are placed in each of the two rooms, accommodating in all 24 people. The red tables with white porcelain tops, are attractive, and individual lamp is placed over each table, while large electric domes are hung from the center of each room by yellow cords, the globes being lined with blue figured silk. This same figured material features in the overdrapes at the windows, and in the doorway. The china is an English ware in the Solistria pattern, with just a faint touch of red. A new victrola also adds to the attractiveness of the rooms. Mrs. Margaret Ellerbrook has been engaged to have charge of the serving in the tea room. Arthur Welch, Henry and Jack Altree have been engaged in preparing these rooms. Attractive signs have been placed in the hall way, and a large sign "Neghri's Tea Room" hangs over the entrance.

About \$50 was cleared from the sale of food held last week at the McKeanie store by the ladies of the Methodist Aid. The proceeds were given to the Sunday School.

Mrs. Gertrude Burditt has resigned as instructor of her class at the Baptist Sunday School, and at a party given on the other evening, she was presented with a very pretty beaded girdle from the young ladies in appreciation of her past services.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Harris of Belmont, Mass., are receiving congratulations upon the birth of twins, one a girl weighing five pounds, and the other a boy weighing seven pounds. Mrs. Theodore Hawley of Prospect avenue, this town, mother of Mrs. Harris, is at her daughter's home.

Mrs. George Gates left on Thursday of last week to make her future residence in Boston.

The Lend a Hand Club will hold a supper and sale on March 23, in K. of P. Hall, and in the evening of that date, they will hold a dance in K. of C. Hall.

The regular meetings of Ozalluc Temple, Pythian Sisters, has been changed from Thursday to the first and third Wednesday of each month.

At a recent observance of Ladies' Night held by Penacook Lodge, I. O. O. F., the former secretary of this order, Gerald A. Penbody, who has served 25 years, was presented with a past venerable's jewel, and a watch and chain in recognition of his faithfulness as secretary of the order.

The Ladies' Aid of the Universalist church are to give a public supper on the last Thursday of this month.

The ladies of St. Margaret's Guild are soon to hold a food sale. Plans are also being discussed for the organization of a guild among the unmarried people of the parish, meeting of which would be held in the evening, so that those engaged during the day might attend. Mrs. Gilmore, the rector's wife, was the exponent of this organization.

Edward J. Carroll, formerly with the E. K. Day Company, and later employed by the Mt. Zion Spring Water Company, has relocated in Lewiston, having taken a position with Cortel-Markson. Mr. Carroll will move his family to Lewiston early in April.

Mr. James Hassett has been very ill at McCarty Hospital. As soon as he is able, he with his wife will move to Livemore Falls where Mr. Hassett hopes to conduct a poultry farm. Mr. Hassett son of the late James H. Hassett, former superintendent of the International Paper mills at Rumford, has been employed at the local mill for a number of years, and makes this change in order to regain his health.

Mrs. Palmer of Munroe has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kilbourn at their home on Lincoln avenue. Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Kilbourn were roommates when attending Hebrew Academy. Carleton Dennis and family will occupy the rent on Hancock street soon to be vacated by Mr. and Mrs. James Hassett.

Sarah McKeanie is enjoying a three weeks' vacation from her duties as cashier in the C. H. McKeanie Co. store. Part of the time she will spend at her home in Phillips.

The last basketball game on Rumford High School's schedule will be played against Berlin, N. H., at the Institute on Friday evening, Mar. 24. Baseball practice at Rumford High will soon begin with "cage work" starting the practice.

The cast for the annual senior play of Rumford High School has been announced. The play, as usual, is under the direction of Miss Edie Ireland, instructor of expression, at the High School. The play will be presented in early May.

A new Seth Thomas clock has been purchased by Supl. of Schools Williams and placed in position in his office at the Municipal Building.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ladd are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Ladd and family are soon to move into the house on

Penobscot street to be vacated by E. J. Carroll and family.

On the Town Clerk's books are the following intentions of marriage: Louis C. Turner and Mildred Alice Dame, daughter of Frank Dame of Rumford; Walter J. Tasker of Rumford and Ellen A. Van Alstyne, daughter of Alfred Van Alstyne of Mexico; Clinton Napoleon Pecteau and Cecile Locke, daughter of W. T. Locke, Jr., of Farmington.

Miss Bertha Pease of Kent's Hill Seminary is the guest of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stevenson, of Knox street.

Mrs. Alfred Poulin has accepted the position of assistant to the principals of the various village schools. She works four days a week.

The ladies of the Searchlight Club cleared \$45 at the food sale held by them last week to raise funds for the purchasing of milk for underweight school children.

The boys of the Methodist church have been earning quite a bit of money to go toward paying expenses to the Boys' Conference. They cleared \$46 from a recent food sale, from a candy sale they received \$7.45, and they have sold chocolate enough to earn the sum of \$21.

At a meeting of the newly formed State of Maine soccer football league held at Portland last week, it was voted not to admit the Oxford A. A. of Rumford, owing to the extra heavy costs of travelling expenses which would be incurred. It was voted, however, that after the season had started, that a team be selected from the league to come here and play an exhibition game. Rumford was represented at the meeting by Thomas McGraw. The new league is made up of four teams, and will open on April 22nd.

The boys of the Baptist church cleared \$15 the other evening from a social, which amount is to go toward defraying the expenses of the boys to the Boys' Conference.

The death of Mrs. Harold M. Stewart occurred at the home of her mother in Mexico last week, after quite a period of poor health. Mrs. Stewart, who was Miss Margaret Filiault, was born in Lewiston 25 years ago, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Polycarp Filiault. She has been a popular young woman, holding several responsible positions in town. She was at one time cashier at the office of the Maine Tel. & Tel. Co. Later she was assistant in the ticket office at the M. C. R. & N. station. She was married about three years ago to Harold Stewart who survives her. The funeral occurred on Saturday morning at St. John's Church.

Mrs. Martha Evans, wife of John Evans, died last week. Mrs. Evans had lived here for twenty-seven years, but was born in Gorham, N. H., in 1872.

Mrs. A. E. Stearns and Mrs. George McMenamin are enjoying a trip to New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Driscoll plan to return to their former home in Seal Harbor the first of April. Mr. Driscoll has served the town as road commissioner for the past four years, but has now been succeeded by Mr. Haines.

Five of the big popular trees on Knox street have been cut down recently, three at the residence of F. F. Howard and two at J. P. Bennett.

Russell Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor of High street, Virginia District, has received the State Scholarship at Bates College, according to the announcements of scholastic awards made recently by Clifton Gray, President.

Mr. Taylor is a graduate of Rumford High School in the class of 1916. At a meeting of the executive committee of Napoleon Outlets Post, No. 24, American Legion, held last week, the following committees were appointed for the Fourth of July celebration planned by this post. General Chairman, Albert Beliveau; Assistant, Ena Carrier and George Kilgore; publicity and advertising, B. L. Ruff, chairman, Jack Altree and James O'Kane; program, Philip Marx, chairman, Elanec John and Claude Davis; parade, Philip Israelson, chairman, Joe Paradis, Wallace Butterfield; sports, H. G. Noyes, chairman, Emile Belanger, Joe Doercher fireworks, R. A. Hines, chairman, Neil McFadden, Joe Carrier.

At a meeting of the Rumford Lodge of Elks held last week the following officers were elected for the coming year: Exalted Ruler, Alfred Bennett; Est. Leading Knight, George Ashworth; Est. Loyal Knight, Joseph Paradis; Est. Lecturing Knight, Philip Marx; Secretary, James McMenamin; Treasurer, Joseph Jacques; Tiler, Ena Sorenson; Esquire, John Wilhee; Orator, Filiault, the past Exalted Ruler, was elected a representative to the Grand Lodge Session to be held in July at Atlantic City. The entertainment "Katinka Koo" to be given by this order, will take place on Monday and Tuesday, April 24 and 25 at the Majestic Theatre. Arthur J. Landry is general chairman. L. E. Williams has been appointed by the newly elected board of Selectmen of the town as a trustee of the Rumford Public Library for five years.

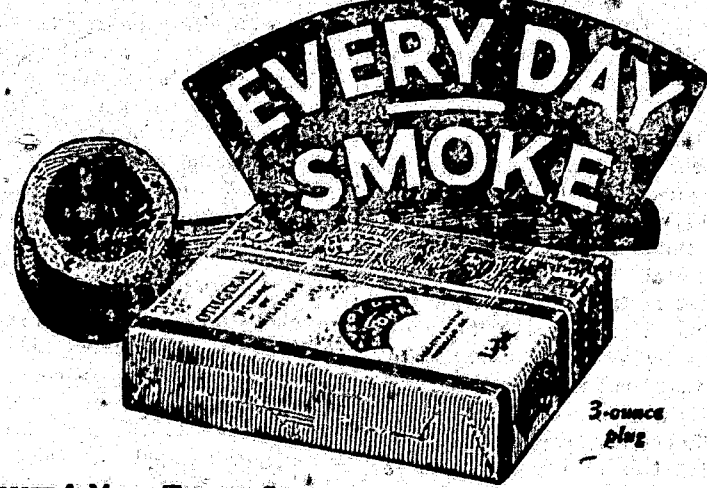
The following constables have been appointed by the Selectmen: Virgil F. Abbott, O. R. Abbott, Philip Baker, Merle Burgess, Emile Belanger, A. T. Helyes Michael Riler, C. E. Cobb, John Christopher, Eugene Coleman, Thomas



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LIQUETT & MYERS TOBACCO CO.

Charter No. 7613 Reserve District No. 1 REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE BETHEL NATIONAL BANK, At Bethel in the State of Maine, at the close of business on Mar. 10, 1922.

RESOURCES

1 a Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, (except those shown in b and c)	\$50,104.95
4 a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	\$10,000.00
b All other United States Government securities	24,890.75
Total	34,890.75
5 Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	89,325.20
6 Furniture and fixtures	896.50
8 Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	17,083.29
10 Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	34,281.46
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	\$84,281.46
14 Checks on banks located outside of city or town / of reporting bank and other cash items	109.60
15 Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, and due from U. S. Treasurer	500.00
Total, LIABILITIES	\$236,881.75
17 Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
18 Surplus fund	10,000.00
19 Undivided profits	\$19,536.05
c Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	788.00
20 Circulating notes outstanding	9,700.00
24 Certified checks outstanding	7.50
Totals of Items 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25	173,355.04
26 Dividends unpaid	71.25
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31	\$173,426.29

Total, \$236,881.75

STATE OF MAINE, COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS:

I, Elery C. Park, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELERY C. PARK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of March, 1922.

A. E. HERRICK, Notary Public.

Corroborate: FRED L. EDWARDS, IRA C. JORDAN, CLARENCE K. FOX, Directors

SAUNDERS BROS. have finished sawing long lumber and will soon begin on the birch.

Mr. Swan from Massachusetts has purchased the Orrin Dyke place.

H. A. Staples and wife were in Bethel, Sunday.

Smith Bros. have their lumber all out of the woods.

THE FRANKLIN FIRE INS. CO. OF PHILADELPHIA

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate, \$129,776.05

Stocks and Bonds, 5,454,850.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 482,238.30

Agents' Balances, 1,071,071.02

Interest and Rents, 83,205.66

Gross Assets, \$6,941,741.03

Admitted Assets, \$6,941,741.03

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses, \$907,074.00

Unearned Premiums, 2,469,147.87

All other Liabilities, 1,265,838.40

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,546,844.26

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,941,741.03

3-23-31-G

SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW HAVEN

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate, \$862,926.81

Mortgage Loans, 902,000.00

Collateral Loans, 8,250.00

Stocks and Bonds, 5,327,774.45

Cash in Office and Bank, 444,932.30

Agents' Balances, 187,558.28

Bills Receivable, 79,877.90

Interest and Rents, 73,235.18

Gross Assets, \$8,017,880.91

Deduct Items not admitted, 232,897.02

Admitted Assets, \$7,785,193.19

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses, \$738,210.81

Unearned Premiums, 4,439,583.76

All other Liabilities, 138,519.84

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,479,479.58

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,785,193.19

3-23-31-G

FIRE

Real Estate, Mortgage Loans, Stocks and Bonds, Cash in Office, Agents' Balances, Bills Receivable, Interest and Rents, All other Assets

Admitted Assets, Net Unpaid Losses, Unearned Premiums, All other Liabilities, Cash Capital, Surplus over all Liabilities

Total

Rumford, 3-23-31-G

FEDERAL JERSEY

Mortgage Loans, Stocks and Bonds, Cash in Office, Agents' Balances, Bills Receivable, Interest and Rents, All other Assets

Gross Assets, Deduct Items not admitted, Admitted Assets

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE CO.,

NEWARK, N. J.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$1,066,190.34
Mortgage Loans	1,894,950.00
Stocks and Bonds	6,232,422.82
Cash in Office and Bank	373,427.07
Agents' Balances	841,801.54
Bills Receivable	8,608.20
Interest and Rents	45,982.70
All other Assets	65,092.18

Admitted Assets, \$10,517,442.64

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$1,107,020.90
Unearned Premiums	5,021,570.55
All other Liabilities	233,180.10
Cash Capital	1,250,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,840,671.06

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$10,517,442.64

Rumford Title & Co., Rumford, Me.
W. J. Wheeler & Co., South Paris, Me.
3-23-21-G

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$24,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	4,221,938.88
Cash in Office and Bank	457,162.24
Agents' Balances	1,895,008.14
Bills Receivable	806.11
Interest and Rents	55,740.25
All other Assets	496,801.71

Gross Assets, \$8,658,927.33

Deduct items not admitted, 1,135,224.36

Admitted Assets, \$5,523,702.98

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$1,430,941.44
Unearned Premiums	1,741,083.99
All other Liabilities	276,837.72
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,095,859.83

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$5,523,702.98

Oxford Insurance Agency, Rumford, Me.
3-23-21-G

MINNESOTA IMPLEMENT MUTUAL

FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF OWATON,

N. MINNESOTA

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$32,739.02
Mortgage Loans	788,187.18
Stocks and Bonds	132,446.61
Cash in Office and Bank	101,159.03
Agents' Balances	170,794.83
Bills Receivable	5,920.78
Interest and Rents	32,013.98
All other Assets	46,740.91

Gross Assets, \$1,396,007.33

Deduct items not admitted, 754.51

Admitted Assets, \$1,395,252.82

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$89,496.61
Unearned Premiums	753,660.14
All other Liabilities	100,419.81
Surplus over all Liabilities	441,676.86

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,395,252.82

Harry M. Stone
3-23-21-G

ALLIANCE ASSURANCE COMPANY,

LTD.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Stocks and Bonds	\$1,432,802.57
Cash in Office and Bank	3,924.13
Agents' Balances	86,225.07
Bills Receivable	122.82
Interest and Rents	21,765.59
All other Assets	58,416.54

Gross Assets, \$1,610,255.42

Deduct items not admitted, 156,509.38

Admitted Assets, \$1,453,746.04

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$588,834.00
Unearned Premiums	868,002.14
All other Liabilities	70,541.71
Cash Capital	200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	365,708.10

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,453,746.04

Alfred E. Jones, Rumford, Me.
doing business as the Home Agency
3-23-21-G

UNITED STATE CASUALTY COM-

PANY,

80 Maiden Lane, New York, N. Y.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$250.00
Mortgage Loans	291,200.00
Stocks and Bonds	6,183,936.96
Cash in Office and Bank	899,263.92
Agents' Balances	729.17
Premiums in course of collection	977,050.36
Interest and Rents	69,739.70
All other Assets	109,439.87

Gross Assets, \$8,032,244.85

Deduct items not admitted, 670,151.13

Admitted Assets, \$7,362,093.72

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$3,261,012.13
Unearned Premiums	5,233,336.14
All other Liabilities	667,578.03
Cash Capital	200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,010,272.49

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,362,093.72

3-23-21-G

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COM-

PANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$7,500,017.76
Mortgage Loans	53,761,919.45
Stocks and Bonds	58,300.00
Stocks and Bonds	115,189,493.85
Cash in Office and Bank	6,906,439.80
Agents' Balances	229,232.73
Bills Receivable	189,083.31
Interest and Rents	3,181,477.54
All other Assets	32,011,108.43

Gross Assets, \$220,081,086.56

Deduct items not admitted, 1,055,404.12

Admitted Assets, \$218,995,682.44

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$1,822,053.39
Unearned Premiums	111,052.59
All other Liabilities	189,382,788.40
Cash Capital	7,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	10,188,906.41

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$218,995,682.44

3-23-21-G

THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COM-

PANY, HARTFORD, CONN.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$309,999.97
Stocks and Bonds	6,971,331.80
Cash in Office and Bank	237,551.26
Interest and Rents	12,839.98
All other Assets	\$1,157,423.86

Gross Assets, \$8,829,200.96

Deduct items not admitted, 38,895.12

Admitted Assets, \$8,790,305.84

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$803,646.36
Unearned Premiums	4,995,979.34
Additional Reserves guaranteed, renewable accident and health policies	4,449.24
All other Liabilities	41,100.80
Cash Capital	1,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,035,031.24

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,790,305.84

3-23-21-G

NORTH AMERICAN ACCIDENT IN-

SURANCE CO., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$286,065.43
Stocks and Bonds	1,200.00
Collateral Loans	636,961.05
Cash in Office and Bank	91,430.71
Agents' Balances	132,706.94
Bills Receivable	29,921.03
Interest and Rents	16,301.06

Gross Assets, \$1,195,236.23

Deduct items not admitted, 95,380.24

Admitted Assets, \$1,099,855.99

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$167,821.06
Unearned Premiums	477,545.40
All other Liabilities	88,348.01
Cash Capital	200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	176,127.51

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,099,855.99

3-23-21-G

THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY

Elbridge G. Snow, President

Wilfred Kuria, Secretary

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Stocks and Bonds	\$63,014,979.57
Cash in Office and Bank	4,800,074.55
Agents' Balances	5,236,852.56
Interest and Rents	694,868.00
All other Assets	804,179.00

Gross Assets, \$75,931,551.68

Admitted Assets, \$75,931,551.68

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Unearned Premiums	\$9,025,127.23
All other Liabilities	\$3,450,750.00
Cash Capital	\$2,991,476.14
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$20,964,168.31

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$75,931,551.68

3-23-21-G

HARTFORD LIVE STOCK INSUR-

ANCE COMPANY, NEW YORK

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Stocks and Bonds	\$719,593.22
Cash in Office and Bank	\$270,040.45
Agents' Balances	\$287,016.59
Interest and Rents	\$7,754.64
All other Assets	\$25,748.73

Gross Assets, \$1,311,135.63

Deduct items not admitted, 36,974.99

Admitted Assets, \$1,274,160.64

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$42,654.90
Unearned Premiums	\$73,932.32
All other Liabilities	\$2,601.85
Cash Capital	\$500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$397,571.67

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,274,160.64

S. W. Goodwin Agent, Norway, Me.
3-23-21-G

GENERAL ACCIDENT, FIRE & LIFE

ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$438,378.34
Stocks and Bonds	\$927,138.42
Cash in Office and Bank	\$352,453.00
Agents' Balances	\$1,832,037.27
Bills Receivable	\$133,842.51
Interest and Rents	\$8,426.65

Gross Assets, \$3,600,382.25

Deduct items not admitted, 537,178.97

Admitted Assets, \$3,063,203.28

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$3,063,203.28
Unearned Premiums	\$3,063,203.28
All other Liabilities	\$3,137,495.98
Cash Capital	\$751,450.25
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$907,831.37

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,063,203.28

3-23-21-G

LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL CASUAL-

TY COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$50,100.00
Stocks and Bonds	\$1,105,270.00
Cash in Office and Bank	\$1,531.38
Agents' Balances	\$22,519.49
Interest and Rents	\$15,484.42
All other Assets	\$1,085.00

Gross Assets, \$1,556,042.21

Deduct items not admitted, 19,147.18

Admitted Assets, \$1,536,895.03

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921	\$505,805.74
Unearned Premiums	\$26,370.14
All other Liabilities	\$71,446.59
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$363,968.63

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,536,895.03

3-23-21-G

PARAGRAPHS FOR

THE NEW ENGLANDER

News of General Interest

From the Six States

The expense to the state of maintaining troops on strike duty in the Pawtuxet and Blackstone valleys, R. I., since Feb. 20 has been \$70,000.

The greater part of the estate of the late Rev. Fr. Timothy P. Linehan of Biddeford, Me., is bequeathed to the Catholic church, according to the will filed for probate.

The name of Miss Kathryn M. Jones of Natick, Mass., was sent to the governor's council by Gov. Cox for confirmation as a special commissioner for the state of Massachusetts.

Wakefield, Mass., High boys and girls will give up their habit of buying candy at the school lunch counter at recess for the remainder of Lent and instead will give the money to feed poor children in France.

The schooner Puritan, which will fish out of Gloucester and in the Fall will contend for the honor of challenging for the international fishing vessel championship trophy, was launched at Essex, Mass., last week.

Plans for supplying physicians for small towns in Maine which at present have none, have been formulated by the council, secretaries and permanent committee of the Maine Medical Association.

Moosehead Lake in Maine will not be open for six weeks yet, according to reports. There is a great deal of snow in the woods and from 20 to 24 inches of ice on the lake. Near the shore the lake is frozen to the bottom.

Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, is to hunt deer in Maine next fall. He has accepted an invitation to be the guest of Walter Hinde of Portland at his camp at Oxbow, 45 miles northwest of Houlton, in Aroostook county.

A reduction of 10 percent in rates on farm products from all points in Maine to Southern destinations was put into effect March 16 by the Maine Central Railroad, the reduction having been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

An investigation, just completed, shows that a girl, 8 years of age, was responsible for pouring tar into and ruining the pipe organ in the home of George Holland of Westley, R. I. The instrument was recently completed after 17 years' work.

More than 21,000 shoe workers, employed in the factories of Brockton and neighboring towns, must take an immediate reduction of 10% in wages, under a decision made public by the Massachusetts state board of arbitration and conciliation.

Vincent Cooley, 38, of Worcester, Mass., was a victim of moonshine according to an autopsy performed by the medical examiner. Cooley died at the hospital as the physicians were preparing to operate for stomach ulcer.

Courts of the state of Massachusetts have no right to assume jurisdiction under the Volstead act and they may not issue a warrant against an alleged prohibition violator and blind him over to the federal authorities, according to a ruling made by Judge Carroll of the supreme court.

After a bitter struggle, in which repeated efforts were made by opponents of the measure to have it shelved, the Rhode Island House of Representatives has passed the Lavender bill providing for a 48-hour working week for women and children under 16 years of age. The vote was 64 to 25.

Much concern is being felt by fishermen over the coast guard cutters, which, it is reported, are stopping bona fide fishing vessels and compelling their crews to shift their cargoes of fish while search is made for hidden rum. Handling the fish decreases their market value, the skippers complain.

Sage Park, in Windsor, Ct., one of the oldest twice-around trotting tracks in New England, which was lately advertised for sale will continue to be in use, it is announced. Races previously assigned to the park as of Memorial Day, the week of July 4 and a four-day meet in the fall, will be held there, regardless of whether the park is sold or not.

The jails in Essex county, Mass., are fuller than they have been for a long time, according to a statement made by Sheriff Wells. He said that the Salem jail was so crowded that several of the 182 inmates had been transferred to the Essex county farm at Hathorne, and that the Lawrence institution, which normally holds 30 persons, has accommodated 45 for several days.

Malnutrition among children in the lower school grades was found in part to be due to improperly adjusted benches and seats, Dr. Alexander Carr, examining physician, reported to the Bridgeport, Ct., board of health. In three large schools 500 pupils were under weight and Dr. Carr sought to find the cause. His report showed that 75 per cent of the lack of weight was due to malnutrition attributable to wrong posture. The lungs and heart did not function properly, due to a cramped position, which also distorted the spine.

STONEHAM

E. B. Allen dug parsnips from his garden Mar. 10, and kindly remembered some of his less fortunate neighbors.

There was a good attendance at the dance at the E. of P. Hall, Thursday evening. The next dance will be held Thursday, March 30.

Berhard Allen has finished work as teamster for V. H. Littlefield, and returned to Waterford.

Guy Parker has gone to Scribner's Mills in Harrison to work for Jessa Scribner, and is boarding at O. A. Grover's.

H. A. Trimback spent a few days last week with his sisters, Mrs. A. A. Grover and Miss Louise Trimback, at Harrison.

Mrs. Farrington Russell and daughter, Arlene, and sister, Miss Bessie Andrews of Lowell visited their aunt, Mrs. Ada Hill, last week.

W. S. Grover, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dadmun of Hunt's Corner were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Grover, Sunday.

Mrs. Willis Warren has returned to her home in the north part of the town after a week's visit with relatives here.

Quite a party of the young people from here went to North Waterford, Saturday evening to attend the Grange "spasm".

A. F. Moody, whose health has been much better this winter, then for some time past, is ill again. A physician was called to attend him, Monday.

Miss Inez McAllister and Harold Farrington visited his parents at South Paris, Sunday, going by auto.

Edwin Allen sold Frank Grover a fine cow from his herd of Durhams last week.

Mrs. F. L. McKeen and Mrs. C. D. Bickford entertained the Sewing Bee at Keewaydin Cottage last Thursday.

There was a good attendance and a large amount of sewing accomplished. At noon luncheon was served by the hostesses, and such a merry company of ladies sat down to the long table and did ample justice to the good things placed before them.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McAllister and children of Fryeburg are visiting relatives and friends in town.

The comedy entitled, "Jonesville Sewing Circle," with the following cast of characters was given at the E. of P. Hall, Saturday evening after the regular meeting of Minnehaha Temple.

Mrs. Trotter, at whose home the Circle meets, Mrs. Elizabeth Raynor, Mrs. Hineckley, who is always the first on the job, Mrs. Maud McAllister, Miss Cornelia Pondargast, who "ain't sayin'" but who she has had plenty of chances, Mrs. Hazel Ellos, Miss Brown, who "sees things" and promptly faints, Mrs. Thankful Cobb, Mrs. Smith, who is thankful there are no gossips in the Circle,

Miss Irene Adams, Mrs. Jones, who promises Cy she won't say a word, Mrs. Bertha McAllister, Mrs. Green, who wants no thanks for her work, Mrs. Alma Grover, Rev. Caleb Peters, who just happened to drop in, Oils Cobb, Hy Barstow, who delivers groceries and "scandalous" tales,

Winfield McAllister, Johnnie Trotter, the disturber, who helps to keep things moving,

Stanwood Nelson

There was a large number of the local boys and girls present and the local hits introduced were very amusing. After the entertainment refreshments were served and a social hour was enjoyed.

They have been invited to repeat the play at the vestry of the church, Thursday evening, Mar. 23, for the benefit of the Circle.

Beautiful But Unusual Words. Among the other most beautiful words in the language are these: No appeal for funds will be made in connection with the lecture.—Ohio State Journal.

Prehistoric River. A French engineer claims to have discovered evidence that a great river once flowed northward across the Sahara desert into the Mediterranean sea and was lined with prosperous communities.

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NORWAY, MAINE

ANDOVER

The schools in town close Friday for a two weeks vacation.

Miss Sample of the Intermediate school was the guest of Doris Jones at North Andover, Saturday and Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church served a supper in the town hall Wednesday evening that was well patronized.

Ray Thurston is hauling wood from the Emerson farm to the village school. John Hawes, who recently underwent an operation at the Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston, has returned home much improved.

Ed. Leffkin from Rumford was in town last week buying calves.

Mrs. Luna Bennett from Rumford is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Jean Elliott.

There was a meeting of N. H. Committee Friday at the home of Mrs. Y. A. Thurston.

Miss Francis B. Adams, the evangelist, is holding a series of meetings at the Congregational church. She preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning from the text, "Where art thou?" Sunday evening, Mar. 26, her text will be from the "Ten Commandments."

The young people held a St. Patrick's party Thursday evening in the town hall. There were eighty members present. Whist was enjoyed and Mrs. Elva Mitchell and Allen Brooks won the first prizes, and Mrs. Charles Learned and

George Akers the second. Refreshments of ice cream, sandwiches, cake and coffee were served. The hall was prettily decorated with green and white crepe paper. Dancing followed the whist.

The many friends of Miss Abbie Carpenter are pleased to learn that she is recovering from a serious illness at her home in Portland.

Frank Field has completed his work at the spool mill.

Mr. Josiah Philbrick of Rumford Center spent Sunday with his wife at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bailey, Sunday.

Lone Mountain Grange will hold its regular meeting in the hall, Saturday. The selectmen and the school committee will be in session at their office, Saturday, April 1, to receive bids for the care of the town hall and the village schoolhouses for the coming year.

Mr. Russell Morgrave, the Supt. of Schools, was called home to Mexico last Wednesday afternoon. His house caught fire in the morning and the roof was all burned. The furniture in the lower rooms was saved.

The North Andover whist was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Akers, Saturday evening. There were four tables played and Merle Akers and Mrs. Earl Marston won the highest score. Mrs. John Hawes and Earl Marston the lowest. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. George Learned, who has been visiting her daughter in Mexico, has entered the McCarty Hospital for treatment.

Mr. Claude Marston has been ill with a severe cold.

Miss Jane Gregg celebrated her 50th birthday, Monday. She received a large number of post cards and nice gifts.

Miss Ethel McAllister has received her appointment for Postmistress of Andover. She has made extensive repairs at the Post Office.

NORTH PARIS

There was a box supper and social at the North Paris schoolhouse last Saturday night. Candy and popcorn were on sale. A good sum was realized.

A. B. Littlehale and son, William, have been sawing wood in Toottown.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphaeus Andrews visited at West Paris one day last week.

Mrs. James Bradford was called to Lewiston by the death of her brother, Fred Bonney.

McAllister and Ellingwood have finished working in the mill nights.

WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Pannett Mason received the sad news Tuesday that her daughter, Mrs. Agnes Mason Fernald, had passed away at her home in Springfield, Mass. The funeral will be held Thursday at 1:30 in the Union church here. Interment in the family lot in Pine Grove Cemetery. She is survived by her husband, Henry Fernald, her mother, Mrs. Hannah Mason, two sisters, Mrs. D. W. Cushing and Mrs. Minnie Saunders, two brothers, Edward and William Mason, and a number of nieces and nephews.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. Ernest Cross is shingling his house.

George of Bath was in Friday.

Frank of Grafton was in recently.

Mr. T. B. Burk shipped a load of cattle to Auburn, Monday.

Mr. H. L. Tibbotts of Belfast was in town last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Morrill were in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

Miss Irene Briggs of Albany is the guest of friends in town.

Mr. Lucian Littlehale spent the week end at his home in town.

Mr. Harry Gordon has employment at Lyman Wheeler's farm.

Mrs. Alice Farrington of Locke's Mills was in town, Thursday.

Messrs. Calvin and Lincoln Cummings were in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mr. Ray Cummings has gone to Augusta where he has employment.

Mr. J. W. McCubrey of Portland was a business visitor in town, Friday.

Master Edwin Morrill was a Sunday guest of Ray Andrews in Albany.

Mr. F. W. Farrington of Berlin, N. H., was a visitor in town last week.

Miss Dorothy Hutchins of Norway spent the week end at her home here.

Mrs. Yvonne Fortune of Manchester, N. H., has employment at Maple Inn.

Mr. F. H. Bartlett of Andover was a business visitor in town last week.

Mr. G. B. Fletcher of Auburn was a business visitor in town one day last week.

Mr. Herbert Berryment was a recent caller at Mr. Irving Wilson's at Northwest Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Churchill were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler and family.

Mr. H. C. Barker has returned to Bethel after spending the winter in the Tugus Soldiers' Home.

Mrs. Perry Lapham and daughter, Father, are staying a few days with her sister, Mrs. Ann Sessions.

Mrs. Lucian Littlehale was in Locke's Mills one day last week to attend the funeral of her uncle Ed. Goodwin.

Mrs. Lincoln Cummings, who has been caring for her daughter, Mrs. Howard Hutchins, and baby has returned home.

Mrs. Sarah Saunders and two children of Albany were guests of Mrs. Ula Parsons at the Haygood farm one day last week.

Mr. H. O. Stimson of Norway was in town, Friday. Mr. Stimson is a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff at the June Primaries.

Mrs. W. B. Twaddle and son, John, returned from Lewiston, Friday. All are glad to know that Master John is improving each day.

Mr. Harry Churchill, who has been employed by Lyman Wheeler at his farm for the past two years, has concluded his labors there.

Mr. Vivian Hutchins and friend, Mr. Robinson, of Boston are this week's guests of Mr. Hutchins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hutchins.

Mrs. E. S. Kilborn, who has been the guest of her mother and sister, Mrs. S. P. Stearns and Mrs. E. C. Park, returned to Portland, Tuesday.

Miss Inez Elwell, the local telephone operator, has been a recent guest of friends in Canton. Miss Ruth Wheeler substituted for her during her absence.

Miss Ruth Kendall has gone to Boston to attend the fashion openings. Upon her return she will open a dressmaking shop opposite Brighton avenue to be known as The "Ruth" Shop. 3-23-21.

Mrs. S. P. Stearns has been seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Park. She is now improving and is making a remarkable recovery. Mrs. Isaac Wardwell of Albany is caring for Mrs. Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark, who have been spending the winter in California, returned to Bethel, Saturday. They report a very pleasant trip and on their return they visited their son, Albert Clark, and family in Sharon, Pa.

Mr. C. M. Simpson went to Lewiston the first of the week to sell the song, "The St. Croix Valley, She's Waiting." Mr. Simpson wrote the words while a patient at the Mt. Madison House in Gorham.

Mrs. Sarah Billings is ill at her home.

Gainsborough Hair Nets, 10 cents, at Rowe's, Bethel, Me.

Mr. Charles Gordon of Suncook, N. H., was a visitor in town last week.

Mrs. O. B. George went to Gloucester, Mass., last week to visit her people.

Mr. M. A. Naimee has purchased the S. H. Wentzell stand on Main street.

Mr. Philip Israelson of Rumford was a business visitor in town, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Hall were in Lewiston a few days the first of the week.

Rev. Mr. Little was in Albany, Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. Robert G. Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenleaf are entertaining as their guest Mr. Greenleaf's father from Stark, Me.

Rev. Mr. Little was called to Locke's Mills, Friday to attend the funeral of Edward Goodwin.

Rev. I. A. Bean of Lewiston will deliver the Memorial address of Brown Post at Bethel, May 30th.

Mrs. Everett McKee and Mrs. Mabel Allen were guests of their sister, Mrs. Mrs. Perley Wing, at Bryants Pond, Thursday.

Mrs. G. L. Thurston, who has been caring for Mr. Ziba Durkee, has returned home. Mr. Durkee is much improved in health.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in His Infinite Wisdom, has seen fit to remove from our order, Sister Marie Pike,

Resolved, that while Pleasant Valley Grange mourns the loss of the beloved sister, yet we bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father.

Resolved, that we extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Resolved, that this testimonial of our respect be recorded on our books, a copy sent to The Oxford County Citizen for publication and copies sent to the family of the departed sister.

HELEN E. TYLER,
RUTH M. GROVER,
BESSIE KESSELL,
Committee on Resolutions.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. E. T. Achenbach, Pastor

Thursday, Mar. 23, 3 o'clock: Meeting of the Ladies' Club with Mrs. Valentine.

Sunday, Mar. 26:

10:45: Worship. Second in series of sermons on "The Seven Words." Solo.

12:00: Sunday School.

4:00: Junior C. E. meeting. Topic, "What the missionaries are doing for China." Leader, Miss Packard.

7:00: Services conducted by the pastor. Third in series of sermons on "The Seven Words."

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Little, Pastor

Parish Organized 1847.

Church Built 1853.

Morning service at 10:45.

Sunday School at 12.

Evening service at 7.

Last Sunday evening at the close of the regular service two members were received into the Y. P. C. E. After this a social hour was enjoyed in the Chapel. Scriptural anagrams furnished an interesting study which called for quick thought and an awakened memory on Scripture history. This was under the direction of the young men.

Topic next Sunday evening, "Meeting Temptation." Reference, Matt. 4, 1-11, Mark 8, 31-33.

CAUSE OF CANCER UNKNOWN

Dread Disease Has Baffled the Best Efforts of the Medical Fraternity for Centuries.

Medical science today knows no more about the cause of cancer than was known 1,000 years ago.

Some families seem to be immune. In other families deaths from cancer occur in generation after generation, as if to show a hereditary tendency.

There are many so-called "cancer houses," in which deaths from the disease have occurred with such lamentable repetition as to destroy their market value for selling or renting purposes. An evil repute attaches to certain well-known "cancer districts," in which the death rate from this malady is extraordinarily high. There is one such district in the Berkshires of Massachusetts, another in the middle of New York state.

One of the many theories regarding the cause of cancer is that it is attributable to an undiscovered germ, carried by the bedbug or some other insect. If that were correct, the disease would surely be more prevalent among well-to-do people who enjoy the benefit of sanitary surroundings. But such is not the case; cancer is as common among the rich as is the tenement and poorer quarters of our cities. —Pittsburgh Dispatch.

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IN THE FAT MAN'S CORNER



The FAT MAN has promised the Editor that he will make this corner the brightest and happiest spot in the whole paper. The FAT MAN is glad to have his readers send him bits of humor, literature and clever paragraphs—these things that put everyone in high, good humor and leave one all chuckling inside. The newer, the better, and he will pay at the rate of one dollar a piece for them when suitable for his corner. Unusable contributions will not be returned unless accompanied by addressed stamped envelope. The FAT MAN, Editorial Dept., National Pictorial News, Washington, D. C.

"But, Bertha, how did you make the acquaintance of your second husband?" "It was quite romantic. I was out walking with my first, when my second came along in an automobile and ran him down. That was the beginning of our friendship."—Hattiesburg American.

"Good morning, Judge," chirped the genial speeder as he stepped into court. "How are you this morning?" "Fine—\$25," said the judge. —Boston Transcript.

Mr. Tarzan Jones was astonished to see the announcement of his own death. He rang up a friend. "Hello, Smith," he said. "Have you seen the announcement of my death?" "Yes, where are you speaking from?" —National Republic.

The same young woman who turns on the porch light before marriage, so that her "Sweetie" won't slip and fall, turns off the hall light, after marriage, to see if he will stumble on the stairs. —Times Journal.

Don't complain to the editor because he doesn't print all the news. You'll probably see the time when you will be darned glad he doesn't.—Smith County Journal.

We can remember the time when a good church member could fall down the cellar steps if he wanted to, without starting the neighbors to talking. —Pithy Paragraphs.

"Don't you miss your husband very much now that he is a traveling man?" "Oh, no! At breakfast I just stand a newspaper up in front of a plate and half the time I forget he isn't there." —Hattiesburg American.

Vicar (at village concert): "Miss Jones will now sing again—I cannot tell you why."—Boston American.

NORTH WATERFORD

Ezra Lebrooke went to Paris and purchased a horse, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Marston have returned home after spending a few weeks at their daughter's, Mrs. Sidney Hatch's. Autos are getting quite plenty.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crouse went to Fryeburg, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Littlefield and daughters, Merline and Edith, and Ezra Lebrooke were Sunday guests at Sidney Hatch's.

There was a large attendance at the picnic at Grange Hall, Saturday night.

The Circle was entertained last week Tuesday at the vestry by Mrs. Myra Cleever, Mrs. Catherine Saunders and Mrs. Alice Perkins with a fairly good attendance. On account of sickness this is the only one since Christmas night.

A delicious supper was served and a short program given, consisting of music on the Victrola; readings, Myra Cleever, Catherine Saunders, Annie B. Hazell, Clara Tewksbury and encore, and Leona Kimball. Games were played. A very pleasant time was enjoyed. The vestry was lighted with electric lights for the first time.

There was an auction at John Grover's place, Saturday.

Mrs. George Holt entertained her Sunday School class at her home Wednesday, March 10. Games were played and refreshments of candy and corn balls were served. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

NORTH NEWRY

Mrs. Carrie Lane of Upton was a dinner guest at W. B. Wright's, Tuesday. A school meeting was held at Newry Corner, Saturday.

S. T. Tripp is repairing the school-house on Bear River.

Quite a number from this end of the town attended the whist party at Newry Corner, Saturday night. There were eight tables. First prizes were won by Margaret Barlow and Leon Enman, second by Edward Bennett and Dora Richardson. Dancing was enjoyed after the party. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, pie, doughnuts and coffee were on sale. About \$10 was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown of Upton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright, Tuesday night and Wednesday. Richard Blake, who works at Newry Corner, was a guest at W. J. Vail's, Sunday.

Mrs. Guy Vail and son, Earl, were visitors at L. E. Wright's, Tuesday.

EAST BETHEL

Mr. William Hastings visited in Lewiston, Friday, March 17.

Mr. George Harrington is working for Saunders Bros. in Hanover.

Schools were closed here March 15 on account of the scarlet fever, and several homes are under quarantine.

Misses Francis and Hilda Reed were recent guests of their aunt, Mrs. Marjorie Billings.

Mrs. H. O. Blake has returned from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. George Swan, Dixfield, Me.

Dr. I. H. Wright, Dr. R. R. Tibbitts, F. E. Russell and S. S. Greenleaf were in town during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Howe very pleasantly entertained a party of friends Friday evening, Mar. 17. St. Patrick decoration and games were in order. Prizes were given and much interest prevailed. Games of slang, Ceylon Kimball won the first prize for having the best English words, and was awarded a pocket dictionary. Guy Bartlett won the second prize and was awarded a memo rate book. Mother Goose game. Mrs. Rose Bartlett won the first prize, Mrs. Doris Kimball the second. Pipes and Irishman game, the prizes were won by Ceylon Kimball, first, and Robert Hastings. Other novel games were in order, and an evening of rare entertainment was enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Howe entertained most delightfully, no pains being spared for the enjoyment of their guests. Refreshments of fruit, ice cream, delicious cakes and coffee and home made candies were served. Cigars were passed.

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate, \$604,332.86
Mortgage Loans, 3,993,030.08
Collateral Loans, 101,150.00
Stocks and Bonds, 10,644,135.33
Cash in Office and Bank, 861,723.39
Agents' Balances, 1,502,543.30
Interest and Rents, 514,143.33
All other Assets, 60,833.61

Gross Assets, \$17,138,204.37
Deduct Items not admitted, 847,182.18
Admitted Assets, \$16,291,022.19

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Not Unpaid Losses, \$1,497,625.75
Unearned Premiums, 5,589,186.34
All other Liabilities, 242,001.37
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$1,022,395.23

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$16,291,022.19

3-23-22—G

SOUTH BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tibbitts are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Mar. 5.

Myron Chase was at Locke's Mills, Friday.

Oscar Tibbitts was at Locke's Mills, Saturday.

Year Bean has returned to his home at Chandler Hill. He has been at East Bethel working for Frank Brooks.

Frank Knight is going to move into Frank Stevens' rent.

Emma Cross was in town, recently. Howard Hutchins was at Bethel, Wednesday.

Ben Tyler was in town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Berton Benson have returned to their home. They have been at Greenwood for a few months. Mr. Benson worked in the woods and Mrs. Benson did the cooking.

The Stevens children are improving. It is hoped that they will soon be able to resume their studies at school.

MASON

S. O. Grover was at home from Grover Hill, Sunday.

School commenced Monday the 13th with Miss Mildred Merrill, teacher.

F. I. Bean spent the week end with his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Perry, of West Bethel.

Eli Grover, E. H. Morrill, Wm. Lombard Mr. Langley and J. A. McKenzie were at West Bethel, Tuesday.

Myron and Guy Morrill, Will Mason and Herbert Long were in Bethel Tuesday after a load of grain.

F. I. Bean has commenced work in his saw mill. Eli Grover and Leland Mills are helping him.

GALEDONIAN INSURANCE CO. OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans, \$325,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 2,695,001.73
Cash in Office and Bank, 146,307.07
Agents' Balances, 613,522.36
Interest and Rents, 25,066.30
All other Assets, 5,930.08

Gross Assets, \$3,710,827.53
Deduct Items not admitted, 40,353.57
Admitted Assets, \$3,670,473.96

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921
Not Unpaid Losses, \$277,680.72
Unearned Premiums, 2,133,157.53
All other Liabilities, 101,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$1,160,635.66

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,670,473.96

3-23-22—G

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LOCKE'S MILLS

Edwin Goodwin passed away Wednesday after an illness of two days from heart trouble. The funeral was held Friday at the church, Rev. J. H. Little officiating. Besides a wife he is survived by two daughters, four brothers and two sisters.

Mrs. Donald Tebbitts and baby visited the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, at Mechanic Falls. R. D. Littlefield was in Portland, Sunday.

Mrs. Asa Kemniston of South Paris visited Monday with her son, Silas, and family.

William Corkum is in the hospital for an operation on his throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hutchinson of Bethel were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Goodwin, Lufa Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Amos King, Harold King, Eldon Goodwin of South Paris, and Mrs. Alice Littlefield of Bethel were in town Friday to attend the funeral of Ed. Goodwin.

GROVER HILL
Mrs. A. B. Grover was in Portland last week to see her husband who is at the M. G. Hospital.

Mrs. Harry Lyon is ill and attended by Dr. Tibbitts.

Rachel Mayberry is confined to the house by illness.

A. J. Peaseley was in the place, Sunday.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns of Bridge-water, Mass., is spending a week at her home here.

Anson Kendall of Newry and Miss Ethel Grover of Gorham have been guests of their aunt, Mrs. Fred Mundt.

James Uhlman is home from Sunday River.

True Browne was at home, Sunday.

THE MASONIC PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, WORCESTER, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate, \$82,775.00
Mortgage Loans, 3,639.01
Stocks and Bonds, 1,733,516.85
Cash in Office and Bank, 484,806.34
Interest and Rents, 34,767.80
All other Assets, 69,968.66

Gross Assets, \$2,359,623.66
Deduct Items not admitted, 22,183.21

Admitted Assets, \$2,337,440.45
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Not Unpaid Losses, \$709,000.24
Unearned Premiums, 1,042,682.63
All other Liabilities, 121,536.58
Cash Capital, 100,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 303,341.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$2,337,440.45

NONE OF THAT

Just recently a girl was married to a man whose name happened to be Nunn.

On hearing of the wedding a friend remarked to the bridegroom: "You're a poor sort of chap."

"Why?" was the reply. "Because when you took your wife into the church she had a name; when she came out she had none."—Answers.

Wifely Caution.
"Why all that storming?" "I asked my husband for ten dollars."

"Well, if he must kick up a fuss like that, why not ask him for a hundred?"

"Because I need his support. I don't want to see him drop dead."

Difficult Situation.
"There are so many automobiles in Crimston Gulch that you ought to have a traffic cop."

"Can't get any one to take the job," answered Cactus Joe. "Any one who tries to be a policeman is in trouble all the time."

Sweets and Sour.
"A pound of candy, please," chirped the young fellow. "Sweets to the sweet."

"That chap's in love," murmured the married man. "Now I'm taking home a quart of cranberries."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Philanthropist.
"Tramp—Kind lady, could you give me a bite to eat? I'm greatly pinched by hunger."

Lady—Of course, I'll help you, poor fellow. I won't have you pinched by hunger. Just wait a minute until I call the police. They'll pinch you!

IF IT ONLY LASTS.
Hubby—For heaven's sake, what kind of a rig is that?

Wifey (haughtily): That's a matter. Hubby: Good. You should have worn one years ago.

Warned in Time.
I much admire the motorist who gives me half a chance and heralds with repeated "honks" the need of his advance.

GRIM WEST AFRICA

Country of "Heat and Horror" to White Man.

British West Coast Colonies Hold Immense Wealth and Secrets Which Defy Modern Science.

W. Alan Lethbridge, in his book, "West Africa," gives a clear and interesting account of the West Coast colonies as they are today, of their "heat and horror," of their immense wealth, and of their strange medical problems. Wounds in the white man will not heal there and no white child may be born. Nor has the secret of tropical fever been mastered, though Sierra Leone is no longer "the white man's grave."

He has some grim stories to tell—one, which is new, of the haunted castle at Elmina, where no one sleeps without a quail. It appears that a party of three men and one woman were playing bridge very keenly in the tropical night: "Of a sudden the lady put her hands to her eyes as though dazzled. Asked if anything were the matter she denied anything wrong and continued playing. Then again she clapped her hands to her eyes, gave an exclamation, and fainted dead away." What she had seen she could not or would not say, but the tradition is that a headless woman walks the castle.

Mr. Lethbridge rejects the power of native magic. He vouches for one strange story: That at a point in the Niger delta in a hut near a store were a number of native workers, under medical supervision. Their headman said it was "no good place."

"One morning a Kroo boy was reported dead; a post-mortem revealed no apparent cause of death. Next morning two men had departed this life and again post-mortems revealed nothing. On the third morning four men were dead and there was something like a panic."

All the men were at once removed and a fresh batch brought up to be placed in "the same sinister house." They, too, died in the same mysterious way, and it was decided to burn down the hut. "Then something fell to the ground and was seized by the headman who rushed up to the doctor shouting, 'Here be plenty had thing, sah! Fit to kill all men, sah!' He held at arm's length two human finger bones which had been tied together with a bit of native twine in the shape of a rough cross."

When this ju-ju was disposed of the deaths ceased. The Niger delta is not a place for lonely white men to take walks in the gloaming. An instance is mentioned of one "youngster" who did so and "two days later his mutilated corpse was found waterlogged in the sinister mangrove swamp." Nor is it a place to be buried in; we are told that in digging graves the water is reached and the mourners have to stand upon the coffin to hold it down.

Bungalow "Ointment."
The "sweet" of gas tanks is the ointment of bungalows. A creosote oil which condenses on the inside walls of gas tanks and trickles down is found to make an excellent shingle stain oil. It penetrates rapidly and dries quickly, and is an excellent solvent for stains and preservative for the wood.

To the gas companies it is known as holder oil, once almost a nuisance. The color ranges from amber and ruby to ebony. By keeping it reasonably light and clear gas companies are able to sell it to jobbers and wholesalers for from 5 to 10 cents a gallon. The latter sell it to paint and building material dealers for from 30 to 50 cents a gallon. Goodness knows, says the New York World, for how much they sell it to the public.

When painters learn to buy this oil from the local gas company they will find the cost of materials for painting a shingle house only a small fraction of that for clapboard houses.

The Navy's Mistake.
A clergyman was a geologist and always carried his specimens about in a red handkerchief such as navvies use to carry their dinners in. One day as he was going home with it full of specimens he saw a navy at the top of a well using violent language because the windlass refused to work.

"My friend," said the parson, "do you know Satan?"

"No," replied the man, "but I'll ask my mate, Bill," he cried, "do you know Satan?"

"No!" came the answer from the bottom of the well. "Why?"

"Well, here's a bloke up here who's got 'is dinner."—London Tit-Bits.

If President-Elect Should Die.
If the successful candidate for President or vice-president should die before the second Monday in January after an election, the electors would be empowered, under the law, to vote according to their judgment. This contingency has never arisen. No President-elect has ever died. If a President-elect should die between the second Monday in January and inauguration day the electoral college would not be reconvened, but the house of representatives would have to bear the responsibility.

Disastrous.
"I decided to economize by buying the cheaper cuts of meat instead of the choice ones."

"How did it work out?"

"The butcher got frightened and shut off my credit."—New York Sun.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

BETHEL LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 97, meets in Masonic Hall the second Thursday evening of each month. R. R. Tibbitts, W. M.; Fred B. Merrill, Secretary.

PURITY CHAPTER, No. 102, O. F. S., meets in Masonic Hall the first Wednesday evening of each month. Mrs. Elizabeth Garey, W. M.; Mrs. Pearl Tibbitts, Secretary.

MT. ABRAHAM LODGE, No. 31, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Friday evening. A. C. Brinck, N. G.; Wesley Wheeler, Secretary.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, No. 64, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Monday evenings of each month. Mrs. Lena Brinck, N. G.; Anna French, Secretary.

SUDBURY LODGE, K. of P., No. 28, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall each Tuesday evening. Winfield Howe, C. O.; John Harrington, K. of R. and S.

NACCOMI TEMPLE, PYTHIAN SISTERS, No. 68, meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening of each month at I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. Helen Baker, M. E. C. Mrs. Minnie Bennett, M. of R. & C.

BROWN POST, No. 84, G. A. R., meets at Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. A. H. Hutchinson, Commander; I. C. Jordan, Adjutant; L. N. Bartlett, Q. M.

BROWN W. B. C., No. 86, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the second and fourth Thursday evening of each month. Emily Forbes, Pres.; Eva Hastings, Secretary.

GEORGE A. MUNDT POST, No. 61, AMERICAN LEGION, meets the first Tuesday of each month in its rooms. William Mackay, Commander; Howard Tyler, Adjutant.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56, meets in their hall the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. A. F. Copeland, M.; Eva Hastings, Secretary.

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GLENS FALLS INS. CO.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$228,406.55
Mortgage Loans	1,045,925.00
Collateral Loans	145,557.50
Stocks and Bonds	6,592,114.10
Cash in Office and Bank	602,510.97
Agents' Balances	900,530.44
Interest and Rents	90,924.00
All other Assets	111,994.90
Gross Assets	\$10,373,238.51
Deduct items not admitted	27,893.34
Admitted Assets	\$10,345,345.17

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$1,059,987.00
Unearned Premiums	4,931,353.50
Stocks and Bonds	575,940.50
All other Liabilities	1,000,000.00
Cash Capital	2,770,389.15
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$10,345,345.17

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO. OF NEW YORK
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$1,296,835.50
Mortgage Loans	60,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	20,074,044.88
Cash in Office and Bank	902,808.96
Agents' Balances	3,741,040.08
Interest and Rents	240,343.33
All other Assets	607,767.51
Gross Assets	\$27,590,420.83
Deduct items not admitted	1,518,243.39
Admitted Assets	\$26,072,177.44

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$8,606,464.89
Unearned Premiums	8,892,237.59
All other Liabilities	1,494,098.27
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$26,072,177.44

ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$240,761.10
Stocks and Bonds	4,908,025.80
Cash in Office and Bank	885,448.80
Agents' Balances	535,503.00
Interest and Rents	387.81
All other Assets	15,828.47
Gross Assets	\$6,185,747.01
Deduct items not admitted	500,000.34
Admitted Assets	\$5,685,746.67

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$313,745.40
Unearned Premiums	2,662,025.83
All other Liabilities	196,942.70
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$5,685,746.67

THE ARINA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONN.
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Mortgage Loans	\$2,925,285.00
Collateral Loans	855,810.00
Stocks and Bonds	8,628,819.00
Cash in Office and Bank	1,236,232.07
Agents' Balances	1,719,824.86
Interest and Rents	164,909.12
All other Assets	186,023.46
Gross Assets	\$15,534,143.79
Deduct items not admitted	175,377.94
Admitted Assets	\$15,358,765.85

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1921

Net Unpaid Losses	\$2,220,041.65
Unearned Premiums	5,068,978.17
All other Liabilities	1,000,437.58
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$15,358,765.85

THE LONDON & LANCASHIRE INS. CO., LTD., LONDON, ENGLAND
Assets Dec. 31, 1921

Real Estate	\$300,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	5,070,652.13
Cash in Office and Bank	992,770.70
Agents' Balances	805,940.42
Interest and Rents	3,678.64
All other Assets	102,108.71
Gross Assets	\$7,275,049.50
Deduct items not admitted	365,007.30
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BOSTON MARKET REVIEW

For Week ending March 17, 1922

(Prepared by U. S. Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates)

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

The increased demand for eggs due to the very low retail prices, coupled with some holding back of eggs for hatching purposes and active buying for storage, served to show prices up sharply. Nearly all eggs have been wanted and are up to 32-36c. Western fresh jumped about 20c, selling up to 25-28c, while a few suitable for placing in storage for later needs went out at 25-27c. The butter market gained steadily during the first few days in the week, but is closing about steady with Northern tub butter very short at 40-41c and prints active at 45c. Western butter was also scarce and most of the larger business was on storage goods. Cheese prices also joined in the advance, fresh receipts from New York state bringing 21½c and cured Fall made goods selling readily at 24c. The holiday demands for live poultry brought a rapid advance and as sharp a decline, prices dropping down to 20-23c for fowl and 25-30c for chickens at the close. Dressed poultry has been irregular, some styles gaining slightly due to scarcity, chickens ranging 22-42c as to size and quality, 20-25c more active at 23-35c and roosters bringing 25c. The first of the maple products arrived this week, syrup going out up to 32-35c and sugar ranging 25-35c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Trading in moderate volume with price declines in several lines compensated by advances in others. Apples steady. Best New York state "baldwins" selling 18-20c, No. 1 Maine Ben Davis 15-16c, a bbl. Cabbage supplies at least show signs of becoming scarce, Alabama cabbage being higher at \$3.00-3.25 per 100 lb. crate, and Florida cabbage at \$1.25-1.50 a hamper. California cauliflower steady and higher at \$3.00-3.25 a crate. Florida celery lower at \$2.00-3.00 a crate according to size. Norfolk kale considerably lower at \$1.00-1.25 a bbl. Native hot-house lettuce 25c lower at \$1.50-1.75 a bu. box. Connecticut Valley onions steady at \$3.25-3.50 per 100 lb. sack with supplies at country shipping points nearly cleaned up. Florida oranges steady at \$1.75-1.85 a box. Maine potatoes 15c lower at \$1.75-1.85 per 100 lb. sack. Texas spinach lower at \$1.75-2.00 a bu. basket. Native winter squash higher at \$4.00-4.50 a bbl. Native hot-house vegetables steady to lower at the following prices a bu. box: Beet greens \$1.00-1.25; cucumbers \$1.00-1.10; dandelions \$2.00-2.25; radishes \$1.00-1.25; house rhubarb lower at \$1.50-1.75; native carrots and parsnips higher at \$1.50-1.75 with beets and turnips unchanged at \$1.00-1.25 and 75c-1.00 respectively, a bu. box.

LIVESTOCK & MEATS

Trading at Brighton was slow and under liberal order and only fair demand, the market was steady with few good and medium steers and oxen ranging at \$4.50-5.50, cows and heifers \$3.00-4.25, canners and cutters 25c lower at \$1.75-2.25 per 100 lbs., while an overabundance of hogs on sale met with slow outlet at \$10.50-11.50, which was \$1.00 lower on the poorer grades. Lenten season, moderate weather and drabgy forquaters constitute depressed factors in fresh beef trade.

Woman's inalienable right to keep her age a secret and "about it if necessary" receives a severe blow under a bill reported in the Massachusetts House from the committee on election law. Under its provisions election commissioners and registrars of voters are compelled to publish lists giving the names and ages of women voters.

Promiscuous wearing of "knickers" at Connecticut College for Women is frowned upon by the student body, which determines the undergraduate customs in the institution. In this regard Connecticut College stands with Vassar, and they are the only two women's colleges in the East which have definitely acted upon this style of attire.

The body of Irving Sumner, 54, was found hanging from a bedpost in his home at North Ashford, Ct. It was believed he had hanged himself three or four days before. In another room of the house lay the dead man's father, Jesse Sumner, who is 87 years old and so feeble he was unable to leave his bed.

Mayor Day of Bangor, Me., vetoed the order passed by the city council on March 8, establishing daylight saving time there from April 2 to Oct. 1. Last year the change of time was made on May 1, but this year, for some reason, and without any public demand, the council rushed through the order to make the change April 8.

Peter Wadach of Ludlow, Mass., received word that he had fallen heir to 200,000 kronen through the death of his father in Gallcia, Austria. Peter was almost overcome with joy until he learned that 200,000 kronen is just equivalent to \$20 in American money. Now he's wondering if he will have enough to pay the lawyer.

Capt. George A. Parker of the Massachusetts state police patrol was the principal speaker at a special conference of Boy Scout executives and commissioners of Boston and vicinity. He outlined a plan by which Boy Scout troops and individual Scouts throughout the state could co-operate with the new state police.

At a meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn, Me., branch of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, it was decided not to make any reduction in their present wages scale. Carpenters now get 80 cents an hour as against \$1 charged by the plumbers, who have voted to cut their wages to 90 cents an hour beginning May 1.

Halt for \$1,000,000 has been entered in federal court, Boston, by the Beacon Oil Co. of Boston against the International Paper Co. of New York for alleged breach of contract. It is alleged by the Beacon Oil Co. that on Oct. 4, 1920, it entered into a written agreement with the International Paper Co. to supply, during 1921, a maximum of 500,000 barrels of oil at \$3.50 a barrel. The International, according to the allegations, accepted 231,197 barrels of oil and then refused to accept any more.

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Curtains, PicturesRugs, Linoleums
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HARRIET and the PIPER

By
Kathleen Norris
Illustrations by
Irwin Myers

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Harriet Field, twenty-eight years old and beautiful, is the daughter of a well-to-do family. She is the secretary of the famous Mrs. Isabelle Carter, at "Crownlands." Richard Carter, her father, is a wealthy man, and she is the only daughter of a family of five.

CHAPTER II.—Presiding over the tea-party this afternoon, Harriet is looking at the clock. She is waiting for the arrival of a visitor, Royal Blonkin. Next day, at a tea-party in the city, Blonkin makes himself agreeable to Nina, and leaves a deep impression on the unsophisticated girl.

When Harriet had chaperoned Nina and Amy to the Friday afternoon matinee, and had duly deposited Amy afterward in the Hawkes mansion, and had escorted Nina to her grandmother's apartment, she was free to direct Hunsen to drive her to the Jersey tube, and to spend a hot, uncomfortable hour in a stream of homegoing commuters, on the way to Linda's house.

She mounted the three cement steps from the sidewalk level, and the four shabby and peeling wooden ones that rose to the porch. On this hot summer-afternoon the front door was open, and Harriet stepped into the odorous gloom of the hall, and let the screen door bang lightly behind her.

Immediately, in the open archway into the parlor, a girl of fifteen appeared, a pretty girl with blue eyes and brown hair, a shabby but fresh little shirtwaist belted by a shabby but clean white skirt, and a napkin dangling from her hand.

"Oh, Mother—It's Aunt Harriet! Oh, you darling!"

Harriet, laughing, went from the child's wide embrace into the arms of Linda herself, a tall, broadly built, pleasant-faced woman with none of Harriet's own unusual beauty, but with a family resemblance to her younger sister nevertheless.

"Well, you sweet good child!" she said warmly. "Fre—here's Harriet! Well, my dear, isn't it fortunate that we were late! We'd hardly commenced!"

The remaining members of the family now streamed forth: Fred Davenport, a thin, rather gray man of fifty, with an intelligent face, a worried forehead, and kindly eyes; Julia, a blonde beauty of twelve; Nanny, a fat, sweet boy of five, with a bib on; and Pip, a serious ten-year-old, with black hair and faded blue overalls.

Fred was a newspaper man, one of the submerged many, underpaid, overworked, unheard, yet vaguely gratified through all the long years by the feeling that his groove was not quite the groove of the office, the teller's desk, or the traveling salesman's "beat."

Here in the little suburban town his opinions gained some little weight from the fact that he had been ten years with a New York evening paper. Mrs. Davenport was interested in everything her sister had to say; knew the Carters, and even some of their closest friends, by name, and asked all sorts of questions about them.

Later in the evening Fred was at the piano. It was a poor piano, and he was a poor player who smoked his old pipe while he painstakingly fingered Mendelssohn's "Songs Without Words" or the score of "The Gipsy." But Linda loved him.

"He will put away these, perfectly content, for an hour," she told Harriet. "And at ten you'll see him starting to get Josephine. They're great chums—she thinks there's no one in the world like Daddy!"

Harriet's thoughts had wandered. "How's David?"

"Lovely. He always comes to us for Sunday dinner," Linda said. "And he always asks for you!" she added, with some significance. David Davenport, Fred's somewhat heavy and plodding brother, a successful Brooklyn dentist, had never made any secret of his feeling for the beautiful Harriet.

"I like David!" Harriet said, in answer to some faint indication of reproach in her sister's tone. But immediately afterward she added, in a lower voice: "Ward Carter has had Royal Blonkin at the house this week!"

Linda's rocker stopped as if by shock. There was an electric silence. When she spoke again it was with awe and incredulity and something like terror in her tone.

"Royal Blonkin! He's in England!" "He was," Harriet said, dryly. "He's been in New York for two years now!" Linda shuddered.

"I know—I remember!" she said in a whisper. And she added fervently, "I hoped he was dead!"



And Suddenly the Bright Head Was in Linda's Lap and She Was Sobbing Bitterly.

"Tell me everything you said!" she commanded.

"I will!" Harriet's voice fell faintly. "I came home to talk to you with you." But it was fully five minutes later that she began the inevitable confidences. "We talked—Roy and I—she said, briefly, 'He doesn't belong in my life, now, any more than I do in his! We simply agreed to a sort of mutual minding of our own business.'"

"Thank God!" Mrs. Davenport said, fervently. "He—he doesn't want to, he doesn't still feel—he won't worry you, then?" she asked somewhat diffidently. Harriet's laugh had an unpleasant edge.

"He is after bigger game than I am, now!" she said. "The brute!" her sister commented in a whisper. "It—it is all right, then?" she asked, a little timidly.

"All right!" Harriet echoed, bitterly. "I haven't drawn a happy breath since I saw him! All that time came up again, as fresh as if it were yesterday—except that I have climbed a little way, Linda; I was happy—I was busy and useful—and I had—I had my self-respect!"

And suddenly the bright head was in Linda's lap, and she was sobbing bitterly. Linda, with a great ache in her heart, clasped her arms, mother-fashion, as she had clasped them a hundred times, about her little sister.

CHAPTER V.

Harriet slept in the room with Julia and Josephine that night, or rather tossed and lay wakeful there. At about two o'clock the wind streamed mercifully in, hot and thick, but prophetic of rain, and Harriet, wandering about to make windows fast, encountered Linda, on the same errand. When the worst of the crackling and flashing was over, the girl glanced at her watch. Three o'clock, but she could sleep now. She sank deeply into dreams, not to stir until Linda's alarm clock, hastily smothered, thrilled at seven, and the small girls rose with cheerful noise, to let streams of hot sunshine upon her face.

Immediately after breakfast the two small girls attacked their Saturday morning's work with a philosophic vigor that rather touched their aunt. Fred had hurried away after his hasty meal; the boys were turned out into the backyard, which Pip was expected to rake while he watched his small brother.

Harriet's heart ached deeply for them all as she watched the Jersey marshes from the car window a few hours later. Josephine was to be a stenographer when she finished high school, and little Julia had expressed an angelic ambition to teach a kindergarten class some day. Nina, at their ages, had her pony, her finishing school, her little silk stockings, and her monogrammed ivory toilet set, her trip to England and France and Italy with her mother and brother and grandmother.

Suppose that she, Harriet, was right in suspecting that Ward's feeling was more than the passing gallantry of a light-hearted boy? It would be a nine-days' wonder, his marriage at twenty-two with his mother's secretary, more than four years his senior. But after that? After that there would be nothing to say or do. Young Mr. and Mrs. Ward Carter would establish themselves comfortably, and the elder Carters would visit them; Isabelle absorbed as usual in her own mysterious thoughts, and Richard Carter—

Harriet's thoughts, none too comfortable up to this point, stopped here, and she flushed. She would not enjoy telling Richard that she was to marry his son. Those keen eyes would read her through and through, and while her father-in-law might love her, and see her beauty and charm with all the rest of the world, Harriet knew that she must begin an actual campaign for his esteem on her wedding day. The prospect had an unexpected piquancy. She had little fear of its outcome. She would make Ward Carter a wife for whom his father must come to feel genuine gratitude and devotion. There would be children, there would be hospitality and music and a garden. And Ward should seriously settle down to his business, whatever it might be, and show himself a worthy son of his clever father.

"Why not—why not?" Harriet asked herself, as she reached Madame Carter's pretentious apartment house, and was whisked upstairs. She was to meet Nina here, and she glanced about for the big limousine at the curb, as an indication that the old lady might be ready to accompany them back to Crownlands. But there was no car in sight. The maid's first statement was that Miss Carter had gone home with her brother, and then Madame Carter came magnificently into the room.

"Well, our bird has flown!" said the old lady. Harriet could see that she was pleased about something.

"Gone home with Ward?" Harriet asked. Madame Carter never shook hands with her; there was conscious superiority in the little omission. She sank into a chair, and Harriet sat down.

"Ward and his friend, this Mr. Blonkin," Madame Carter said. "A very interesting—a most unusual man. A very good family, too—excellent old family. Yes, Nina assured us that she had to wait and go home with her Daddy, but that—? Madame Carter gave Harriet a deeply significant smile—but that didn't seem to please somebody very much!" she added. "So I told Nina I thought Granny would be able to make it all right with Daddy, and off the young people went."

She rocked, with a benignly triumphant expression, and a complacent rustle of silken skirts. Harriet, beneath an automatic smile, hid a troubled heart. Royal was losing no time. Ward his innocent instrument, and this famous old lady of course playing his game for him!

Harriet saw that she was pleased and flattered by an older man's apparent admiration of Nina; and that she would further the girl's first definite affair in every way that lay in her power. It was maddening! It was exasperating beyond words. An honest warning would have merely flattered her with its implication of her importance; ah, no, Isabelle and Harriet might try to hold the child back—but Granny knew girl nature better than either of them!

"Well, then, I must follow them home," Harriet said, pleasantly. "You don't come back tonight?"

To this Madame Carter very pointedly made no answer; her plans were not Miss Field's business.

"The child is growing up!" the old lady said, smiling at some thought. "Well, we must look for love affairs now!"

Harriet felt that there was small profit in following this line of conversation. She glanced at her twisted wrist.

"I think I will make that two o'clock train, Madame Carter, unless there is

some errand I might do for you?" she said respectfully.

This courtesy, from a beautiful young woman to an old one, always annoyed Madame Carter. Harriet knew that she was casting about for some honeyed and venomous farewell, when the muffled thrill of the bell came to them, and the footsteps of Ella were heard. Immediately afterward Richard Carter came quickly in. He met Harriet at the door.

"How are you, Miss Field? Tell Nina to hurry; I've got about five minutes!" he said, pleasantly.

"Don't keep Miss Field; she is making her train!" said his mother, coming forward under full sail, and laying both hands about his. "I'll explain about Nina."

Richard Carter gave his mother the peculiarly warm smile that was especially her own.

"Went on with Ward, eh?" he said, in his hearty voice. "That's all right, then. Oh, Miss Field!" he called, after Harriet's discreetly retreating back, "the car's downstairs. Wait for me there; I'll run you home in half the time the train takes. I'm playing in the tennis finals, Mother."

Harriet, turning for just a nod and smile, heard no more. But as she entered the lift, the girl said to herself, with a passionate sort of gratitude: "Oh, I like you! You're the only genuine and unselfish and kind-hearted one in the whole crowd!"

She went down to the street, and saw the small car waiting. He was driving himself today. With a great sense of comfort and relaxation Harriet got into it, and was comfortably established, and tucked in snugly, when Richard came down. He smiled at seeing her, got into his own seat; the machine slipped smoothly into motion, the hot and sordid streets began to glide by.

"Ever think how illuminating it would be, Miss Field, if we kept a list of the things that are worrying us, and read 'em over a few weeks later?"

"I suppose so!" the girl said, a little surprised, and yet with fervor. "We'd have a fresh bunch then, and be worrying away just as hard!"

The spontaneous response in her tone made Richard Carter laugh.

Harriet was content to enjoy this restful interval between the hurry and crowding of Linda's house and the currents and cross-currents that she must encounter at Crownlands. She watched the green country go by, the trees silent and heavy with their rich foliage, the villages blazing with the last June roses.

They flew by the great gates of the country club, and turned in past Crownlands lodge, and Harriet got out at the steps, and turned her happy, flushed face toward the man to thank him. Whatever she saw in his face as he smiled and nodded at her pleased her, for she went upstairs saying again to herself, "Oh, you're real—you're honest—I like you!"

It was delightful to get back into the familiar atmosphere, to catch the fragrance of flowers in the orderly gloom downstairs, to take off her hat and her hot, dusty clothing, and have a leisurely hot bath; to put on fresh and fragrant summer wear, and to go downstairs presently, rejoicing in being young and comfortable, and tremendously interested in life. The significance of Richard Carter's parting look, its honest admiration and friendliness, augmented by her own glance at a chance mirror on her way upstairs, stayed with her pleasantly.

At one end of the terrace there was an awning whose shade fell upon the brick flooring and the jars of bloom; and this afternoon it also shaded Isabelle, in a basket chair, and the big hound, and Tony Pope. Harriet cast them a passing glance, and wondered a little in her heart. The boy was handsome, and fascinating, and rich, but it was just a little unusual to have Isabelle so openly interested in any one.

Undefined and vague, this was still somewhere in the background of her thoughts as she returned to Crownlands, and when she met Ward Carter, wrestling with the engine of his own rather disreputable racing car, out in one of the clean, graveled spaces near the garage.

Harriet felt a little quickening of her pulses as she saw him. There was no mistaking the pleasure in his eyes as she came close.

"Spark plugs?" she asked, with the sympathy of one to whom the peculiarities of the car were familiar.

"She's fixed now; I've just cleaned 'em," Ward announced, flinging away his cigarette and straightening his back. "She'll go like a bird, now. Say, get in and try her, will you?" he asked, eagerly. "Come on—come on, be a sport!" But perhaps he was as much surprised as delighted when she very simply stepped into the low front seat. He gave her more than one sideways glance as they went dipping smoothly up and down the green lanes, and said to himself, "Gosh—when she crinkles those blue eyes of hers, and her mouth sort of twitches as if she wanted to laugh, she is a beauty—that's what she is!"

About a week later they met for a few moments in this very side garden. It was early evening, and twilight and moonlight were mingled over the silent roses, and the trimmed turf, and the low brick walls.

They came straight toward each other, and stood very close together, and he took both of Harriet's hands.

"Now, what is it—what is it?" the man said, quickly. "I've been waiting long enough. I can't stand it any longer! I can't go away tomorrow, perhaps, for two weeks, and not know!"

"Ward," the girl faltered, lifting an exquisite face that wore, even in the faint moonshine, a quibbled and intense expression, "can't we let it all wait until you get back?"

"Why, Harriet," and his arm went about her shoulders, and he bent his face over hers, "Harriet, why not let me go happy?" he pleaded.

"You'll see a dozen younger girls at the Bellamy's camp," Harriet reasoned, "girls with whom it would be infinitely more suitable."

"Please!" he interrupted, patiently. And almost touching her warm, smooth cheek with his own, and coming so close that he raised her beautiful eyes to find his only a few inches away,

he nudged, fervently, "You love me don't you?—isn't that all that matters?"

Did she love him? Harriet hoped, when she reviewed it all in the restlessness of the night that she had thought, in that moment, that she did. It was wonderful to feel that strong, eager arm about her, there was a sweet and heady intoxication in his passion, even if it did not awaken an answering passion in return. Under all her reasoning and counter-reasoning in the night there crept the knowledge that she had known that this was coming, had known that only a few days of encouraging friendliness, only a few appealing glances from uplifted blue eyes, and a few casual touches of a smooth brown hand must bring this hour upon her. And back of this hour, and of a man's joy in winning the woman he loved, she had seen the hazy future of prosperity and beauty and ease, the gowns and cars and homes, the position of young Mrs. Ward Carter.

She had let him turn her face up, in the strengthening moonlight, and kiss her hungrily upon the lips, and she had sent him in to his dinner half-wild with the joy of knowing himself beloved. Harriet had gone in, too, shaken and half-frightened, and with his last whispered prophecy ringing in her ears:

"Wait a year—rot! I'll go to the Bellamy's, because I promised to, but the day I come back, and that's two weeks from today, we'll tell everyone, and this time next year you will have been my wife for six months!"

CHAPTER VI.

A most opportune fall followed, when Harriet Field had time to collect her thoughts, and get a true perspective upon the events of the past week. Nina was leaving for a visit to Amy Hawkes, at the extremely dull and entirely safe Hawkes mansion, where four unmarried daughters constituted a chaperonage beyond all criticism. Isabelle Carter was giving and attending the usual luncheons and dinners, her husband absorbed in an especially important business deal that kept him alternate nights in the city. The house was quiet, the domestic machinery running smoothly, the weather hot, sultry and enervating.

She dined as usual alone, that evening, and was surprised, at about eight o'clock, to receive the domineering notification from Rosa that Mrs. Carter would like to see her. With hardly an instant's delay she went downstairs.

On the terrace outside the drawing room windows they were at a card table; Richard, looking tired and hot in rumpled white, Isabelle exquisite in silver lace, and young Anthony Pope, near by, Madame Carter majestically fingered some illustrated magazine.

It appeared that they wanted bridge; it was too hot to eat, too hot to dance at the club, too hot—said Isabelle pathetically—to live!

Obligingly, Harriet took her place, cut for the deal. But her eyes had not fallen upon the group before she sensed that something was wrong, and she had a moment's flutter of the heart for fear some one suspected her, that she was under surveillance. Had Royal—had Ward—

She turned a card, took the deal, found Anthony Pope her partner, and entered into the game with spirit. Richard's first words to her were reassuring; if there was constraint here, she was not involved in it.

"No trump—says little Miss Field. Well, that doesn't seem to frighten me. Two spades."

"I think we might try three diamonds," Miss Field, Anthony said, gravely and pleasantly, and Harriet felt herself acquitted of any apprehension in that direction as well. It only remained for Isabelle to show friendliness.

"Du hast, diamonden and perlen, you two. I can see that! You're down, Harriet!" Mrs. Carter said, thoughtfully. Harriet began thoroughly to enjoy herself. If they were all serious, at least it was not with her. She speculated, as she gathered in her tricks. Was it conceivable that Richard did not enjoy the discovery of the tete-a-tete dinner? But Isabelle had often been equally indiscreet, and he had never seemed to resent it before. Harriet knew that Isabelle was ill at ease; she suspected that Tony was furious. The old lady was obviously quivering with baffled interest and curiosity.

After three rubbers the game ended suddenly; Richard said he had some letters to write, and was keeping Fox waiting in the library; Anthony scribbled a check, said brief and unfriendly good-nights; Isabelle merely raised passionate dark eyes to his. She was languidly gathering in her spoils when the lights of his car flashed yellow on the drive and he was gone.

Immediately afterward Richard Carter said good-night to his mother and wife, and went in to his study. Madame Carter followed him in, and went upstairs, but Isabelle sat on moodily shuffling and reshuffling the cards, in the bright soft light of the terrace lamps.

"Wait a minute, Harriet," she said, briefly, and Harriet obediently tottered. But Isabelle seemed to have nothing to say. Her eyes were on the cards, her beautiful breast, exposed in the low-cut silver gown, rose and fell stormily, and Harriet saw that she was biting her lip under lip, as if anger seethed strong within her.

"Come upstairs to my room; I want to speak to you!" Isabelle said, suddenly. Harriet followed her upstairs, and they entered the beautiful boudoir together. Here Isabelle dropped into a chair and stared dully ahead of her, a queen of tragedy.

Genuine came forward, evidently more accustomed to this mood than Harriet was. Like a flash the high-heeled shoes, the silver gown, and the brocaded stays were whisked away, and a cool, loose silk robe enveloped Isabelle, and she took a deep, cretonned chair by the window. The lights were lowered, Isabelle nodded Harriet to the opposite chair.

"I ask you," she said, with a great breath of anger restrained, "I ask you if any woman in the world could stand it! You saw the way Mr. Carter acted. You saw him make me ridiculous—make a fool of me! The boy will never come to the house again!"

"Oh, I don't think that!" Harriet said, in honesty.

"Mr. Carter stalked in upon us, at dinner—his wife said, broodingly. She fell into thought, and suddenly burst out, 'Harriet, my heart aches for that boy! My God—my God—what have I done to him!'"

She rested her white full arms on the dressing table, and covered her face with her hands. Harriet saw the frail silk of the dressing gown stir with her sudden dry sobbing.

"My God—if I could cry!" Isabelle said, turning. And Harriet realized, with a shock, that she was not acting. "Mr. Carter only sees what I see," she added, "that it must stop. But I am afraid it will kill him. He isn't like other men. He—!" She opened a drawer, fumbled therein. "Read that!" she said.

Harriet took the sheet of paper, pressed it open.

"My heart," she read, in Tony Pope's handwriting. "I will go away from you if I must. But it will be further than India, Isabelle, further than Rio or Alaska. While we two live, I must see you sometimes. Perhaps outside the world there is a

place big enough for me to forget you!"

"Now—I!" said Isabelle, rising and beginning restlessly to walk the floor. "Now, what shall I do? Send him away to his death, or risk Mr. Carter's insulting him again, as he did tonight? Anthony Pope means it, Harriet—I know him well enough for that."

She fell silent. Germaine appeared with a tray, and began to loosen and brush the dark hair, and Isabelle went automatically to the business of creaming and rubbing, still shaken, but every minute more mistress of herself. With the thick, dark switch gone, Harriet was almost shocked by the change in the severely exposed forehead and face. Isabelle looked fully her age now, more than her age.

"Well!" said the mistress, somber-eyed still, and with a still heaving breast. "There was something else, Harriet—Gently, please, Germaine, my head aches frightfully. Oh, Harriet, will you see what this Blonkin man wants with Nina? She tells me he suggested some sort of summer party in his roof garden; I don't know quite what it is. But her heart is set on it. They seem to understand each other—I always felt that when Nina's affairs did begin, she would pick out freaks like this! Don't—!" Germaine had gone to the bathroom for a hot towel, and Isabelle dropped her voice, almost affectionately—Don't worry about this little scene, Harriet. It will be quite all right!"

"Oh, surely!" The companion's voice was light and cheerful; she went upstairs only pleasantly excited and thrilled. And at the breakfast table next morning Harriet could show the head of the house the same bright assurance. Richard had come downstairs early, and they had their coffee alone.

"Nina?" asked her father.

"She comes back today," Harriet said. "Mrs. Carter is going to have her massage, so she won't be down. She asked you to remember that you are dining at the Jays' tomorrow. There's to be tennis at about four."

"Finally," he said, nodding, and went out to his car apparently well pleased with himself and his life. Harriet started for the Hawkes with a philosophic reflection or two as to the ephemeral quality of married quarrels.

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CANTON

Mrs. Marguerite Walker, wife of Colby Walker of Canton, passed away Saturday night at the C. M. G. Hospital, where she went Wednesday for surgical treatment. Mrs. Walker was born at North Herwick and was 30 years of age. Her maiden name was Miss Marguerite O'Connor and besides her husband she is survived by a grandmother in North Herwick and a younger sister in Texas. She married Colby Walker of Canton on July 6, 1921. Before marriage Mrs. Walker taught school for a number of years. She was a member of the Scandinavian Club of Canton and although residing in town but a short time she had endeared herself to many friends. She was a member of Holy of Hope Rehekah Lodge, No. 8, of North Herwick. The funeral was held Tuesday of this week at 10:30 o'clock at the residence of Mr. Walker's mother, Mrs. Eva Walker, at East Peru.

Bruce Wadlin and family of Lewiston are planning to move to Canton this week.

A pleasant meeting of Evergreen Chapter, O. E. S., was held Tuesday evening, when the male members of the order furnished the entertainment and supper. The entertainment opened with music on the Victrola, followed with a character song in costume by Frank M. Oliver and John E. Forhan. A male quartet composed of D. L. Cameron, Rev. P. M. Lamb, J. A. Tyler and C. E. Mendall gave two selections and a vocal solo was by J. E. Forhan. These were interspersed with music on the Victrola. Games, contests and stunts furnished good entertainment, which closed with story telling, a forfeit being paid by those not having a story. A social will be held at the next meeting, which will be a dancing party, and an invitation will be extended to the women, mothers and sisters of the men.

Mrs. Walter W. Farrar of Hartford passed away Tuesday night after an illness with heart trouble. She was born at Hartford and was before marriage Mrs. Lucy Rosewith Tyler, the daughter of John Tyler and Abigail Parsons Tyler, to whom were born seven children, only one of whom survives, John Tyler of Canton. With the exception of a short residence in North Paris in Maine after marriage she has always lived on the farm where she passed away. Besides her husband and daughter she is survived by several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held at the home, Saturday, at ten o'clock, Rev. P. B. Drexler of Rockfield officiating. The interment was in the Parsons cemetery nearby.

A Saint Patrick supper was served at the vestry of the Universalist church, Friday, which was well patronized. An entertainment in the evening consisted

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The Senior class of Canton High School are preparing a drama to be given soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chamberlin of So. Livermore have been guests of his brother, E. T. Chamberlin, and family.

Mrs. Eva Burke fell last week in her home and injured her quite badly. She is now getting better.

Miss Ruth M. Johnson of Lewiston has been making a short visit at her home in town.

The basketball game at Canton, Friday evening, resulted in a victory for the Wilton Academy girls. A social followed at the schoolhouse.

Mrs. Herbert A. Sweet is spending a week with her brother in Buckfield.

Mrs. Rosie Bicknell is at work for Mrs. O. M. Richardson.

Miss Rosalie Hinds was a guest of Mrs. Fred Hutchinson, Saturday.

Quite a number attended the auction at the home of A. C. Corlies of Hartford, Wednesday.

Miss Inez Elwell, local telephone operator of Bethel, has been visiting at the home of G. H. Johnson.

The Misses Radle and Eva Reed were at home from Lewiston over the week end.

Mrs. Arthur Elwood and daughter are ill with the prevailing epidemic.

Mrs. J. H. Puffer of Farmington has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Hollis.

About a dozen members of Canton Encompiement, I. O. O. P., went to Dixfield, Saturday evening, and conferred degrees on a class of eleven candidates.

Miss Pauline House of No. Turner has been a guest of Mrs. Tilson York.

J. N. Foye and G. L. Wadlin attended an electric light meeting at Peru, Saturday.

Miss Mary E. Coburn, who is employed in Bath, has been spending a week at her home in town.

Clare Johnson, who is attending the Bentley School in Boston, is at home for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. Mary M. Johnson is on the sick list and Mrs. Anna Dalley is caring for her.

A millinery meeting of the women of the Farm Bureau will be held in Canton the first Wednesday in April.

The Universalist Circle will meet at the vestry at their next session. A supper will be served to which the men will be invited. Some entertainment will be given in the evening.

SKILLINGTON
Mrs. Maud Hurlburt called on several of the neighbors here Sunday.

Miss Theda Hutchinson visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loten Hutchinson, Sunday.

Mr. Perley Flanders has bought an auto.

Mrs. Griffin visited her sister, Mrs. Fred Howard, and family, Sunday, and called on Mr. and Mrs. W. Thayer.

The mill was closed down Thursday on account of a broken coupling.

Fausto Sanborn and Mrs. Griffin called on Mrs. Carrie Merrill, also Mrs. Norbank, Thursday.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD
Miss Minnie Capen has been ill with the flu for over a week and threatened with pleuro pneumonia, but is able to sit up for an hour.

Mr. Wm. Gauthier is in Boston, visiting his daughter.

Mrs. Gauthier is visiting her son and family while Mr. Gauthier is away. Lester Cooper has gone to Norway to visit his mother.

Mr. Herbert Carter, who has been in Canada all winter with his son and family, has returned home.

DEADLY NEW GUINEA FEUDS

Whole Districts Wiped Out by the Ancient Doctrine Calling for Blood for Blood.

Long years ago, one of Payeye's ancestors had committed murder. Murder in New Guinea is not a crime. On the contrary, a man is not considered a man until he has shed human blood. He must kill somebody, be it a strong man or a decrepit old woman or a little helpless child before he obtains the right to wear the feather headdress, and until he has that mark of manhood he may not marry. Merlin Moore Taylor writes in Asia Magazine.

Well, Payeye's ancestor, who lived in a village perched on a mountain peak, had ambushed a citizen of a village on a neighboring peak, and dispatched him with a club. That night there was a great feast at Payeye's village. And while the body of the victim was being skinned and the roasting stones were being made hot strong-lunged men shouted the achievement of Payeye's ancestor from the treetops of their peak.

The relatives of the dead man, stung by the taunts, plotted revenge. The murder was a stain upon their pride—not because it was a murder, but because, as they knew, the dead man's bones would be thrown to the mongrel dogs that infested the village. That stain could be wiped out only by the shedding of more blood. The victim's relatives did not know just who had committed the crime, but there could be no doubt about the village he hailed from, so they directed their "pay-back" against the village.

That was all very many years ago. For generations, the enmity had persisted, until by the time Payeye was fifteen there was only a handful left in his village. Since they were no longer able to withstand their enemies, the villagers scattered to neighboring, friendly villages, leaving their own thatched huts and bamboo barricades to rot and fall to pieces. The explorer in New Guinea comes upon traces of countless villages that have been wiped out, like Payeye's village, by long and relentless feuds.

Of his own immediate family, Payeye was the sole survivor. He had no father or older brother to counsel him and to initiate him into the duties of manhood. So far as he knew, he had only one blood-relation in the world—his mother's brother, Forner, the village constable at Rarai, in far-off Mekeo. Thither he made his way, and there we found him.

Would Change Calendar.
Next April the Astronomical union is to meet in Rome to discuss calendar reform. The leader of the French delegation to the meeting, with support from England, will, among other things, propose a scheme by which the first of January shall always fall upon a Monday, with, corresponding uniformity for every day throughout the year.

Three hundred and sixty-five divided by seven gives the 52 weeks of the year and one day. If that day, at present a troublesome disturber, were assigned a new name (Jour de la Paix, its French sponsors have proposed), and no longer allowed to be Sunday, Monday or any other day of an ordinary week, the beginning of the next year could take place always on the same day of the week. In leap year the 29th of February would also have to stand outside the week.

In the matter of bills it would be a great convenience if international agreement were obtained, as maturing periods could be of even length, avoiding Sunday.—Christian Science Monitor.

Miniature Paper Mill.

An American-built paper mill, shipped to the Siam government for experimental purposes, according to an illustrated article in the Popular Mechanics Magazine, is one of the most complete mills ever built. Though of small size, being only 66 feet long, it is equipped for the manufacture of all kinds of writing and printing papers, and is patterned after the experimental mill of the United States bureau of standards. The shipment includes such essential parts as a Fourdrinier sieve, 48 inches wide and 33 feet long, two 300-pound wood-tube beaters, a small engine, a 600-pound rotary beater, a cylinder duster, screen, sheet cutter, and bleaching plant, besides all fittings and accessories.

Out of the Mouths of Babies.
A few days ago a leading business man of Jeffersonville, an active Rotarian and widely popular, as well as a most ferocious basketball bug, which makes him popular also with the boys, went into a barber shop for a shave, relates the Indianapolis News. He was in the chair and in a rather when, a little mis of three stepped in with her mother to have her hair bobbed. She looked instantly at the barber's subject and her countenance registered first surprise, then horror and then disgust.

"Oh, mamma, look at that ugly man!" she exclaimed.

Woman Students in Prussia.
During the winter semester, 1920-1921, there were 9,137 women studying in Prussian universities as against 1,230 in the winter semester of 1909-1910. Medicine seems to be an especially attractive subject since the war. The extension of general culture was given as the main reason for study 12 years ago. There are now definite goals of a professional nature. It is interesting to note that the mechanics and day laborers' classes are furnishing an ever-increasing number of women students.

MOTHER—HAS YOUR CHILD THESE SYMPTOMS

Mothers, watch children for symptoms of internal disorders. Look at your child NOW! Is his breath offensive and tongue coated? Does he grind his teeth or start in his sleep? Is his appetite changeable? Has he occasional griping pains? Is he constipated? These are some symptoms of worms. Great distress often results from these parasites. Relieve him quickly with Dr. True's Elixir, the True Family Laxative and Worm Expeller—purely vegetable—first prescribed by an old-fashioned Maine country doctor 71 years ago. Dr. True's Elixir, the True Family Laxative and Worm Expeller, purifies the bowels as it clears them. A favorite of careful mothers for four generations. Corrects constipation in young and old. 40c, 60c, \$1.20. Adv.

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singing their songs of party praise, and the Democrats have been denying it all. The "independents" have claimed to and promise for the future in the "farm bloc," and the decision of the labor movement "to support their friends no matter which party they are in" at the election this Fall. Thus rifles of party discord or disaffection with a political policy are seized upon to prove that party in Government is on the decline. As a matter of stern history, past and present, the party system of Government has become a deeply ingrained American tradition, and those who see in the affairs and politics of the National Capital the disintegration of party management, are on the wrong track.

THE BONUS BILL

There is a decided clash between the executive and legislative branches of the Government that may lead to serious developments. The House of Representatives is determined to push the bonus bill. The House program has been denounced by the Treasury Department as "a dangerous abuse of government credit." One Congressman says that "many icicles of sympathy and freezing advice are handed out," and he compares these alleged acts of the Treasury as "in harmony" with the protests against "frozen credits." These credits, declare the critics of the Treasury, would likely never reach one per cent of the loans held by the banks and trust companies. President Harding is plainly sorry that he committed himself to the principle of a bonus, and he has left no doubt that he feels that the House leaders are insisting on impossible schemes for raising the money. On the other hand the House leaders are just as critical of the proposed sales tax, which the President suggested. This form of tax has been repeatedly defeated by Congress during the Sixty-seventh Session. This dilemma occasioned by the differences within the Republican leadership has brought forward another group who have sought to restore harmony by postponement of the bonus. The American Legion insists that there must be no postponement and in this they are backed by House leaders. The latter are apparently delighted to be able to get rid of the direct responsibility of the bonus at their end of the Capitol. The Legion is mindful of the differences that have grown up between the legislative and executive branches of the Government, and it knows that the Senate is apt to be less ruthless than the lower branch in denying the expressed wishes of the President and Secretary Mellon. A Democratic Congressman describes the present bonus bill in these cryptic words: "Its father was haste, its mother was fright, and its name is bunk."

The ex-service men have a pretty clear idea of the situation, and it is violating no confidence to say that their hopes of passing their measure through both Houses are at a very low ebb. Nevertheless they will fight on. And if they fail—as they expect to fail—they declare that they will carry the issue into the Congressional elections next Fall.

THASING EUROPE

The Genoa Conference presents most interesting possibilities, and the European nations that have prompted it have been adjourning from time to time in the hopes that the United States would "come in." But this Government has begged to be excused for the reason that it has no desire to sit in with the soviet government of Russia, or be a party to a Conference which in the windup will most probably proclaim a plan that will be a good thing providing America will put up the money.

BONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Kimball and son, Leonard, who have been spending several weeks in Truro, N. S., the guests of Mrs. Kimball's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Harris, have returned home. Miss Ida Good was a guest at Bongo Lake Cottage the first of the week. We are glad to report the sick ones around Bongo Pond are all on the gain.

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PORTER
Several attended the movies at Kezar Falls, Saturday evening.
Mrs. Noyes Norton is able to be out after two weeks sickness.
Mrs. Charles Young is quite sick.
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rice were Cornish visitors on Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rice and George Tewksbury were in Cornish, Sunday.
Mrs. Elmer Eastman and children spent the day recent at Ezra Eastman's.
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stanley were Sunday callers at David Ridlon's.
Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wentworth were in Limerick, Sunday.
Arthur Gilman is hauling boards for, Harry Pratt.
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Libby, formerly

of Porter, are receiving congratulations from their many friends on the birth of a 12 pound son, Mar. 13. The youngster has been named Lory Stevens.
Mrs. Geo. Libby spent Wednesday at Allie Libby's.
Maggie Blazo spent Wednesday at Seth I. Day's at the Centre.
Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stanley visited his parents this week.
James Sargent of Hiram has finished work and moved home Thursday.
John Giles was a caller recently on his father in this place.
Mr. and Mrs. Edson Haddock were in town, Sunday, visiting his parents.

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